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KOWLOON INDEMNITY DEMAND

T.W. Kwok Registers Strong Protest

"Inhuman," China Lays Claim To Jurisdiction Nanking

The Chinese Government will hold Hong Kong authorities responsible for the demolition of the wooden shacks inside the old walled Kowloon City and will reserve all rights to claim indemnity, according to a Central News report.

These were two of the five points raised by Mr. T. W. Kwok, Special Commissioner for Kwangtung and Kwangsi, on Wednesday when he lodged a strong protest with the Governor (Sir Alexander Grantham).

Vice Foreign Minister Liu Su-shun told a visit to British Ambassador Ralph Stevenson at Nanking yesterday to press the Chinese protest against the demolition of the shacks inside the old walled Kowloon City and will reserve all rights to claim indemnity, according to a Central News report.

Mr. Liu told the British Ambassador that the Chinese Government regarded the demolition as "against humanitarian principles." Mr. George Yeh, China's Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, arrived at Kai Tak Airport shortly after 2 p.m. yesterday. He was met by Chinese Special Commissioner T.W. Kwok and members of his staff.

Seven "representatives" of the Kowloon Walled City Residents' Association were also on hand. They reported at length to Mr. Yeh on the issue.

It was learned they were promised that the matter would be discussed at Nanking when Mr. Yeh returns there.

Mr. Yeh told the "representatives" that he was not in Hong Kong in connection with the Kowloon City issue but was just passing through on his way back to Nanking from Hong Kong.

CHINESE AID MISSION TO LEAVE FOR U.S.

Nanking, Jan. 9. The Chinese Aid Mission, headed by Dr. Tsu Yee Pei, former Governor of the Central Bank of China, will depart for the United States next Wednesday, the Foreign Office said today.

The decision to send a mission to Washington came as a result of consultation with the United States Government for "an exchange of views on the questions connected with American aid to China." — Reuter.

K'LOON HUT DWELLERS STRAGGLING BACK

Of the 54 sheds demolished by the Public Works Department on Monday, ten (including a fair-sized one owned by Lau Chi-leung) have, up to yesterday, been "re-built" on their former sites.

Scattered around the area are also a number of make-shift affairs, of three stone walls plus a tin-can roof, and a few "open air" dwellings, all occupied by the former tenants of the illegal sheds.

All these tenants were given free issues of uncooked rice, at the rate of nine taels per head per meal (or 18 taels per day), on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. They were also given a small amount of bread to supplement their food supply.

Rice Hand-Out

During the past three days, rice has been distributed to all former tenants who were registered with the Kowloon Walled City Residents' Association, irrespective of whether they were occupying their former sites or not.

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Mr. Kwok pointed out to the Governor that the Chinese Government had never waived its jurisdiction over the area as provided for by the Peking Convention of 1898. He asked for the immediate release of the two Chinese residents arrested by the Hong Kong authorities in connection with the demolition work.

Disclosing the details of his negotiations with the Hong Kong Government, Mr. Kwok told Central News in an interview last night that, since the issue was brought to his knowledge, he had personally called on Sir Alexander Grantham four times — on November 29, December 2, 13 and 21 last year.

"China's Stand"

He said that on every occasion he made clear to Sir Alexander that the Chinese Government's stand pointed out that China had never waived her jurisdiction over the area as provided for in the Peking Convention of 1898. He added that he also repeated to the Governor the statements made by himself and the Chinese Foreign Affairs Ministry in September, 1946, reaffirming the Chinese Government's determination to stand by China's treaty rights.

With this in view, Mr. Kwok continued, he therefore requested Sir Alexander to desist from any action and instead seek an amicable settlement of the issue through regular diplomatic channels.

In accordance with instructions from Foreign Minister (Dr. Wang Shih-chieh), the Special Commissioner added, he requested Sir Alexander to attach the importance to the existing friendly relations between the British and Chinese Governments and to desist from any forcible measures so as to avoid incidents.

Notwithstanding his efforts, Mr. Kwok stated, the British authorities carried out some forcible measures in evicting the Chinese residents in the early hours of January 5.

Mr. Kwok declared that the Hong Kong Government should, therefore, bear all the responsibility and consequences of the unfortunate incident which is an infringement of China's jurisdiction over the area.

Immediately after the incident, the

Special Commissioner disclosed, he telegraphically reported to the Foreign Ministry and on January 7 made the fifth call on Sir Alexander. On this occasion, he stated, he lodged a strong protest with the Hong Kong Government.

He asked that the Hong Kong Government should:

- (1) Assume the full responsibility of all consequences in carrying out those forcible measures.
- (2) From the humanitarian point of view, immediately provide shelter for the evicted homeless people.
- (3) Immediately release the two arrested Chinese residents.

The Foreign Affairs Special Commissioner also made known to the Governor that the Chinese Government shall reserve all its rights to claim any indemnity and that those Chinese residents who have the rights to land in the area should be allowed to have their demolished houses reconstructed.

However, Mr. Kwok said as Sir Alexander showed a different attitude, and had referred the issue to higher levels, Central News.

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U.S. Fleet Manoeuvres Off Greece

Athens, Jan. 9. The American Mediterranean Fleet is engaged in manoeuvres in which it is possible ships and planes may approach within sight of Greece and her islands, it was disclosed today.

The United States Naval Attache (Commander Norton Sunderland) said the manoeuvres started on Jan. 7 and will continue until Jan. 16 in the Eastern Mediterranean and in the Ionian Sea off the southern coast of Greece.

He added that the manoeuvres were "routine training exercises."

The fleet, under the command of Vice-Admiral B.H. Blier, includes the carrier, Midway, the cruisers Portsmouth, Providence and Little Rock and several destroyers and other vessels. — United Press.

STOP PRESS

VIETNAM DEFIES THE FRENCH

Rangoon, Jan. 9. The Vietnamese would carry their fight against the French—which has just entered its second year—until the last French soldier is driven out of the country. Pham Ngoc Thach, Deputy Premier of the Vietnamese Government in Indo-China, declared today, "until the last French soldier is driven out of the country, we will not stop our fight for independence." He added that he hoped to enlist the help of other Asian nations in the Vietnamese struggle.



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Here is a scene from an earlier Communist demonstration. A trouble-maker is arrested by a civil policeman and a British officer in the course of dispersing unauthorized demonstrators. — AP Photo.

Buses To Run Again Today

Buses on the Island, which have been suspended since 1 p.m. on Dec. 11, last year, when approximately 200 drivers and conductors of the China Motor Bus Co., Ltd., walked out, will definitely run again today.

An agreement, embodying the terms of settlement, was signed at the Labour Office today in the presence of Major H. F. C. Chauvin, Assistant Labour Officer.

The agreement provides for the payment to employees of a gratuity representing 11 months' pay after ten years' service and for an extension of the probationary period of new employees to six months.

No buses were run yesterday, as the strikers had, as exclusive, reported in yesterday's "China Mail," decided that they would only resume work after the agreement had actually been signed.

When the "China Mail" visited the strikers' headquarters last night, different Labour Unions which have been contributing towards the maintenance of the strikers, were still sending in their daily contributions. These contributions were not, however, accepted, but were returned with the explanation that the strike had been settled.

Kina Boatswain Rescued

Manila, Jan. 9. The East Asiatic Company today announced that an additional Kina boatswain Hans Laurits Hansen (50), was found on Capul Island between Samar and Sorsogon in a serious condition.

The Company said that Hansen is being taken to Cebu City today. No further details were available. — United Press.

Princess Anne Sets Off To Join Exiled Michael

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GENEVA REPORTS:—

Bao Dai To Rule Annam Once More

Geneva, Jan. 9. An agreement "in principle" for an independent State of Annam, Indo-China, within the French Union was reported tonight by Henry Thinh, financial adviser to former Emperor Bao Dai of Annam.

In a communique, the Secretary said that the one-time Emperor and Emile Bollaert, French High Commissioner for Indo-China, had agreed that Bao Dai would head the provisional government of such a State.

The two, who met here yesterday, will resume their talks to-morrow, he said.

Meanwhile, it was understood, M. Bollaert intends to fly to Paris to consult the French Government.

Nominal Freedom

The Secretary said that Bao Dai, acting for "political parties and religious groups" in Indo-China, was prepared to organize a provisional government, if unity and independence of the country were assured.

He explained that by "unity" he meant the cohesion of Tonkin, Cochinchina and Annam proper.

He said that no decision had been made on when or how to establish the new government.

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Virtual Dominion

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ARABS REPORTED TO ATTACK FROM SYRIA

British Units Move Forward

Tel-Aviv, Jan. 9. Unofficial reports from the Syrian border said today that Arab troops crossed the frontier and attacked two Jewish villages—Kefar Sold and Dan in Hagallil. British troops have arrived from Mettula. Fighting continues.

Jerusalem reports earlier said Arab officials there openly claimed that a group of arms experts, comprising Arabs and Germans, are concentrating in Northern Palestine and in Jerusalem preparing for "large-scale action."

This coincided with earlier reports of the arrival of 800 members of "El Hussain Brigade" in Northern Palestine near Safad. The brigade was named after the late King Hussain, father of Transjordan's King Abdullah.

A heavy explosion at noon today rocked Jerusalem and caused anti-terrorist sirens to scream for the first time in two months since partition rioting began. All traffic was stopped by the wailing. The all-clear was sounded at 12.20. The explosion was reported to have been caused by a bomb thrown from an Arab bus in the vicinity of Barclay's Bank which was cordoned off by the military immediately.

Sirens Scream

"To Correspondents" — Meanwhile, the Stern Gang, Jewish terrorist organization, today issued a statement from its "underground headquarters," threatening all foreign correspondents.

At the same time New York reports say that two trucks, each with enough illegal explosives to level a city, are being sought by the police of eight states today after a secret Palestine arms depot was broken with the seizure of nine men and the capture of 80 tons of explosives.

Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation captured 491 men and 719,000 pounds of explosives at a lonely farm near Freehold (N.J.).

The Army said the explosive was, cyclamate, six and a half times more powerful than TNT. A truck driver with 49,000 pounds more was seized at Asbury Park, New Jersey.

U.S. To Help Jap Mills

New York, Jan. 9. American financial interest have completed negotiations for a US\$80,000,000 loan to provide cotton for Japanese textile mills.

A source close to the negotiators representing a group of banks headed by the National City Bank of New York said discussions have been completed with representatives of SCAP.

Banks participating with the National City Bank are Chase National Bank of America and J. Henry Schroeder Banking Corporation. The Export-Import Bank in Washington also is expected to participate, but to what extent was not disclosed. — Associated Press.

FRENCH REMAIN TACITURN

Geneva, Jan. 9. M. Emile Bollaert, French High Commissioner for Indo-China, is returning to Paris today after two days of discussion here with Bao Dai, former Emperor of Annam. He will return to Geneva on Monday to continue the talks.

M. Bollaert told correspondents tonight that a pause was needed to enable both sides to study certain suggestions and information which had arrived direct from Saigon.

A member of the ex-Emperor's suite disclosed last night that proposals had been brought to Bao Dai by Captain G. Vantre, a member of the Cabinet of General Nguyen Kuyuan, President of the Saigon Government.

Meanwhile, a Paris message adds that special meeting of the French Cabinet was unexpected by called today for tomorrow morning to hear a report on international affairs by M. Andre Marie, Acting Minister of Foreign Affairs, in the absence on holiday of M. Georges Bidault, the Foreign Minister. — Reuter.

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First Part Of Rehab Loan Subscribed

The first portion of \$50,000,000 of the Hong Kong Government Rehabilitation Loan has been fully subscribed, a Government spokesman said yesterday. The subscription list closed at 3 p.m. yesterday.

Moscow Silent On Stalin

London, Jan. 9. Last night, after rumours that Marshal Stalin was dead had been sweeping Europe for 24 hours, Moscow was still silent.

The rumours started in Berne, Switzerland, whence they were cabled round the world. During the day Reuter received inquiries from Britain and overseas.

A spokesman of the British Embassy in Paris said: "This is an unusually long time for such a rumour to run over the European capitals without an official statement being issued on the matter."

Last week, Professor Ellis Dervin, Swedish cancer specialist, was urgently summoned to attend an unnamed patient in Russia, who was believed in Stockholm at the time to be Marshal Stalin.

Senior Pimentel Brandao, the last Brazilian Ambassador in Moscow, said in Rio de Janeiro on Tuesday that Marshal Stalin's health was "very grave" and that he was partially paralysed in the right side and had to walk with crutches. — Reuter.

BRIGHTER CHANCES OF RESCUE FOR "DVINA"

Tokyo, Jan. 9. Eight standby ships guarded the Russian vessel "Dvina," which was still wallowing so deeply her decks were awash, while clearing weather this afternoon gave some promise of efforts to tow her to safety might begin soon.

A Russian patrol boat succeeded in putting a line aboard the stricken vessel, which continues to list at an estimated angle of 80 degrees.

The patrol boat was standing by 50 feet away. Other aid ships are scattered around the area ready for any emergency.

The sun broke through heavy clouds this afternoon and the seas began to moderate.

Nevertheless, at each roll of the battered ship—which was without engine power—water poured over her port rail.

Rescue Plane

Passengers appeared on the heavily clothed against icy weather, but none showed any cognition of the American B-17 rescue plane circling overhead, said Associated Press photographer, Gorry, who made the flight.

Gorry said from the air it was impossible to determine the nationality of the passengers or whether they included women and children—two of several questions about the "Dvina's" voyage still unanswered in Tokyo.

The Weather

A weak ridge of high pressure extends from northwestern China across the East Sea to the Donets. The depression now settled over South Korea has lost its intensity. Pressure is rising low over East Siberia. Forecast—Light to moderate east wind. Weather cloudy at first but becoming temperate fair during day. Yesterday: Windy. Temperature: 12-18. Humidity: 60-70. Rainfall: 0.5-1.0. Snowfall: 0-2.0. Fog: 0-2.0. Ice: 0-2.0. Wind: 0-2.0. Clouds: 0-2.0. Visibility: 0-2.0. Barometer: 0-2.0. Direction: 0-2.0. Force: 0-2.0. State: 0-2.0. Time: 0-2.0. Place: 0-2.0. Date: 0-2.0. Year: 0-2.0. Month: 0-2.0. Day: 0-2.0. Hour: 0-2.0. Minute: 0-2.0. Second: 0-2.0. Tenth: 0-2.0. Hundredth: 0-2.0. Thousandth: 0-2.0. Ten-thousandth: 0-2.0. Hundred-thousandth: 0-2.0. Millionth: 0-2.0. Billionth: 0-2.0. Trillionth: 0-2.0. Quadrillionth: 0-2.0. Sextillionth: 0-2.0. Octillionth: 0-2.0. Decillionth: 0-2.0. Undecillionth: 0-2.0. Duodecillionth: 0-2.0. Tredecillionth: 0-2.0. Quattuordecillionth: 0-2.0. 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K'LOON EVICTIONS HAVE COURT SEQUEL

Defendants Query Power Of Bench

Tokyo, Jan. 9. An anxious British father arrived this week at Iwakuni in the British occupation zone after an estimated 10,000-mile flight from England to be with his son, who was injured critically in a jeep accident.

Dr. S. Datta, resident medical officer at the British Public Assistance Institute, flew to the bedside of his son, D. Datta, radio telephone operator at Iwakuni who was injured on December 14.

Dr. Datta was flown to Japan under the Air Ministry plan which enables a parent of a dangerously ill serviceman to visit his son if such a visit is likely to be beneficial to the patient. Associated Press.

Missing American Party Safe

Nanking, Jan. 9. The party of four Americans, including two women and a child, who were reported missing yesterday on their way to Hankow, arrived in Hankow yesterday, according to a spokesman of the American Embassy here this afternoon.

The party is composed of Dr. and Mrs. Eric McMullen and their child and an American registered nurse, Miss Gertrude Green.

They set out from Yencheng in Honan on December 18 and had not been heard of until yesterday when they arrived at the Yangtze city.

Dr. McMullen, a medical missionary, and Miss Green are members of the Seventh Day Adventist Mission working in Honan.

They left their station at Yencheng on account of military operations in that locality. —Central News.

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"If I have committed an offence the guilt lies with the Hong Kong Government," declared Chu Pui-tong (32), described as a farmer, when he appeared on remand before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday.

Chu, with Lau Ngai-fu (23), a partner in the Hop Hong Knitting Factory, is being charged with "inciting other persons to resist H.W.E. Heath, a P. Lee officer, and other officers of the Police when acting in the execution of their duty on Jan. 5."

Both defendants adopted a defiant attitude and challenged the authority of the Magistrate to try them.

Chu, when asked to plead, asked: "What place is this? I want to know."

Mr. Blair-Kerr explained: "This is the Kowloon Magistrate's Court. What offence?"

Chu then demanded: "What offence have I committed?"

Mr. Blair-Kerr: "The Police were assisting in the eviction of some persons on Crown land in pursuance of an order issued by me. You are alleged to have incited the persons on the scene to resist Mr. Heath, a Police officer, who was in charge of the Police detachment in the execution of their duty."

Chu: "Where land is Kowloon?"

Mr. Blair-Kerr: "Crown land." (Interpreted as "Government land.")

Chu: "Which Government?"

Mr. Blair-Kerr: "It is part of the Crown Colony of Hong Kong. There is no evidence before the Court to the contrary. That is beside the point. Do you plead guilty or not guilty to the incitement charge?"

"Not Guilty."

Chu: "It belongs to the Chinese Government. I definitely plead not guilty. If I have committed an offence, the guilt lies with the Hong Kong Government."

Second accused, Lau Ngai-fu, replying to the charge said, "I plead not guilty. I will explain everything. If I have committed an offence it is because of the Hong Kong Government."

Mr. Blair-Kerr fixed 11.30 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 12, for hearing of the case.

Assistant Director of Criminal Intelligence L. R. Whant is appearing for the prosecution.

Burglary At Victor's Cafe

Victor's Cafe (22A Queen's Road, Central) was the victim of a burglary last Thursday morning when 19 pieces of clothing worth \$400 were stolen.

Cat Burglar Wong Ying (28) unemployed, would have got away but for police vigilance. He was arrested on the roof of the Kavanagh Building at 2 a.m.

D.S.I. Shaw told Mr. F. X. d'Almeida at Central Magistrate yesterday that defendant entered Victor's Cafe by a water pipe and the lift shaft through Kavanagh Building. He forced open a rear gate and a cupboard, taking away the foks' uniforms.

Convicted on charges of possessing a house-breaking instrument (a picklock) and burglary, defendant, who asked to be deported, was sentenced to six months on both counts and recommended for banishment.

MAXIMUM FINE FOR DRUG SMUGGLER

For the third day in succession the maximum fine was imposed by Mr. W. H. Lathmer on a drug peddler when, at Kowloon yesterday, he fined 21-year-old Tsung Yip-pang \$2,500 (or eight months' hard labour in default) on the charge of possession of 26 tael of raw opium.

Revenue Officer L. E. Millington said that the drug, wrapped in two packets, was found by a Chinese Revenue officer tied around defendant's stomach, at 8 p.m. on Thursday.

Accused, it was stated, said that he was given \$50 to bring the narcotic down to Hong Kong to deliver to a Lo Fat-shan at the Peiho Theatre.

VERANDAH FIRE

Shortly before 3 p.m. yesterday, a small fire broke out on the verandah of 9 D'Aguiar Street. Two fire engines were dispatched to the scene and the fire was extinguished after causing only slight damage.

A small grass fire broke out near the Kowloon Magistrate at about 5.30 p.m. yesterday. It was extinguished without any difficulty.

WAR MEMORIAL FUND

The Chinese Postal Remittances and Savings Bank \$1,000. Balance of K.E.G.C. \$1,000. Total \$2,736,893.18.

OPEN VERDICT

An open verdict was returned by Mr. W. H. Lathmer at the conclusion of the inquest on Lau Ping, 56-year-old Chinese male, whose dead body was found in Ching Hoi Road on the evening of Oct. 12.

The inquest was adjourned "sub die" by the Coroner on Nov. 26 for further inquiries to be made by the C.I.D. and to find other witnesses, if possible.

Wedding Andreassen-Arvig

A charming wedding in traditional Danish style took place at the St. John's Cathedral, yesterday afternoon.

The wedding was that of Miss Annelise Arvig who arrived only about six hours prior to the wedding on the S.S. "Malaya" from Denmark.

Miss Arvig became the bride of Mr. Ole Andreassen.

The pretty blonde bride was given away by Mr. M. Pugh. She wore a full length white gown of Indian silk and Danish lace. Her bouquet was composed of white carnations and sweetpeas.

Duties of bestman were discharged by Mr. H. Gabeberg.

A reception was held at the Jacobson Room later in the evening. The couple left for their honeymoon which will be spent at the Tropical Bay Hotel.

The bride wore a black silk afternoon dress.

Tel-Aviv Background



Arab forces are reported to have crossed the Syrian border and to be pressing towards Tel-Aviv.

Here is a glimpse of Tel-Aviv today. Jewish police armed with rifles crouch on guard at the boundary between Jewish disturbances which accompanied the Arab demonstrations against partition of Palestine. Picture was made in Shabasi Street, one of the danger spots in the boundary zone.—A.P. Photo.

HAINAN WAR CRIMES COURT SEES—

"The Boy Wonder" Collapse In Dock

No. 1 Australian War Crimes Court had another "casualty" yesterday afternoon when Captain C. F. Newnham, Adjutant of Hainan POW Camp, gave "damning evidence" against "Boy Wonder" Yoshida Tomonobu, one of 17 alleged war criminals now on trial.

The former lieutenant of the Japanese Imperial Navy, together with his colleagues facing charges of ill-treating 263 Australian and 237 Dutch POWs and causing the death of 81 Australians and 70 Dutchmen, collapsed during the afternoon session.

The Court, consisting of Lt. Col. H. G. Guinn, DSO, ED (President), with Major N. Gleed and Lt. R. Carter as members and Lt. Col. J. T. Brock as Judge Advocate, continued while defendant was laid down in Court under guard.

Building Drome

Captain Newnham, reading from a diary, secretly hidden from his Japanese guards for three years, told of important work assigned to the POWs.

Under difficult conditions and in a starving state, they were forced to build an aerodrome, working for long hours.

ARMED ROBBERY

A highway robbery in the vicinity of Lowu in the New Territories, took place at 9.55 last night.

Four robbers, two of them armed with revolvers, got away with a quantity of oilskin, oil, paper and fertilizer.

S'HAI PRICES SOAR TO FRESH HEIGHTS

"Worst Inflation Since Last Spring"

Shanghai, Jan. 9. Commodity prices soared alarmingly today for the second straight day and businessmen expressed a fear that the market may be "out of control" as Shanghai was hit with the worst burst of inflation since last spring's "gold panic."

The "two-day jump" with no indication of a halt to the rising prices—was almost a duplication of last spring which led to stringent emergency economic laws and landed many speculators and black-market operators in jail.

Black-market quotations of U.S. dollars were fairly steady at yesterday's record high of CN\$200,000 but, with new rumours flooding the city business men expressed a fear that the dollar rise might be much higher before the Chinese New Year on February 10.

Rice Climbs

Rice lead the commodity rises, reaching CN\$1,530,000 per picul (110 pounds), registering an increase of CN\$200,000 in one day.

Labourers, paid a stationary cost of living index (fixed once monthly), are faced with new hardships as a result of the rapidly rising prices reaching a point where they are unable to buy food.

On the Stock Market Wing On textiles, the pivotal share, rose 30 per cent in three days. It opened at CN\$610 on Wednesday, reached CN\$755 yesterday and reached the all time high of CN\$816 today.

Most speculation was directly attributed to the recent appearance of \$100,000 notes.

Divorce PROCEDURE

Mr. Justice E. H. Williams (Chief Justice), yesterday directed that in all future applications for divorce, the procedure laid down should be followed, particularly in regard to the sending of a letter to the respondent requesting information as to the name etc., of the person with whom misconduct is alleged to have taken place.

Reminders

Today

Queen's College Speech Day, 28, Kennedy Road, 10 a.m.

Zeland Hall Trustees Cocktail Party, King's Bldg., top fl., 6-8 p.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW

Presentation of Prizes, "Sunday Herald" "Song of the South" Competition, Queen's Theatre, 11 a.m.

European YMCA Armchair Group meeting, West Lounge, 8 p.m.

MONDAY

H.K. Canton & Macao Steamship Co., Ltd., general meeting 12 noon.

Badminton League Opens.

Mr. Chang Kia-ngau, Governor of the Central Bank of China, is rushing to Shanghai from Nanking in an effort to bring the runaway market under control.

President Chiang Kai-shek has ordered the ministries of Finance and Economic Affairs to take drastic action.

New Payscale

Meanwhile, the State Council this morning (at which President Chiang Kai-shek presided) approved a new payscale for civil servants.

According to the new scale \$30 of the basic salary and 10 per cent of the remaining basic salary will be multiplied by the cost of living index.

The Council also ruled that the index will be readjusted once three months.

It was estimated that the new scale will more than double the government's payroll burden and widened further the gap between expenditures and revenues.—United Press.

Personalia

Group Captain J. N. Jefferson R.A.F., arrived Hong Kong by air, yesterday afternoon, from Singapore, to take over command of R.A.F. Station, Kai Tak, a Command vacated last Saturday by Group Captain E. A. Jones.

Group Captain Jefferson has been Base Commander, Headquarters, Royal Air Force, Singapore since April, 1947.

Passengers by C.P.A. planes included M. C. Kachorn, Lt. Truby and Lt. Tongue (to Bangkok).

Anatole Ponve was among passengers leaving for Shanghai by P.A.A. Clipper yesterday.

Peninsula Hotel arrivals—M.R. Nowan, Miss P. D. Foss, Wm. McRae, R.L. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. O.E. Safford and Cornelius Cronk.

Peninsula departures—F.M. Moser, J.W. Warren, Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Ottinger, H.W. Stone, Mr. and Mrs. P.R. Pedersen and Mrs. H. Svensen.

HANDBAG SNATCHED WHILE TAKING TEA

While taking tea at the Hong Kong Hotel at about 4.45 p.m. yesterday, a Chinese woman, Lau Kit-chee, had her handbag, which had been placed on a nearby chair, snatched by a Chinese man dressed in long coat.

The man was sitting at an adjoining table. After snatching the handbag, he ran down Pedder Street and made for Alexandra Building, where he was caught by one of the Hotel boys, Lau Tung, and handed over to the Police.

The handbag, which contained about \$100, was recovered, with contents intact.

THE WHISKERS CLUB

When Glim the Glowworm pointed up Whisk looked and saw two figures gliding towards the ground. One was Mr. Owl. But who was his companion?

"Black Roger!" exclaimed Whisk, who was both startled and surprised. What was Mr. Owl doing with their enemy, the Raven, who had taken Toddie away?

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COMMANDOS REFUSED LEAVE TO APPEAL

An application by Victor John Brown and James Andrew Miller, both formerly of 45 R.M. Commando, for leave to appeal against their conviction on a charge of robbery, was yesterday dismissed by the Full Court comprising Mr. Justice E. H. Williams (Chief Justice) and Mr. Justice J. Reynolds (Acting Additional Judge).

Anti-Smuggling Tour Of Sth China Ports

Shanghai, Jan. 9. Mr. Ting Kwei-tong, Deputy Inspector-General of the Chinese Maritime Customs, is scheduled to leave this morning on an inspection tour of South China ports and to study the smuggling situation at first hand.

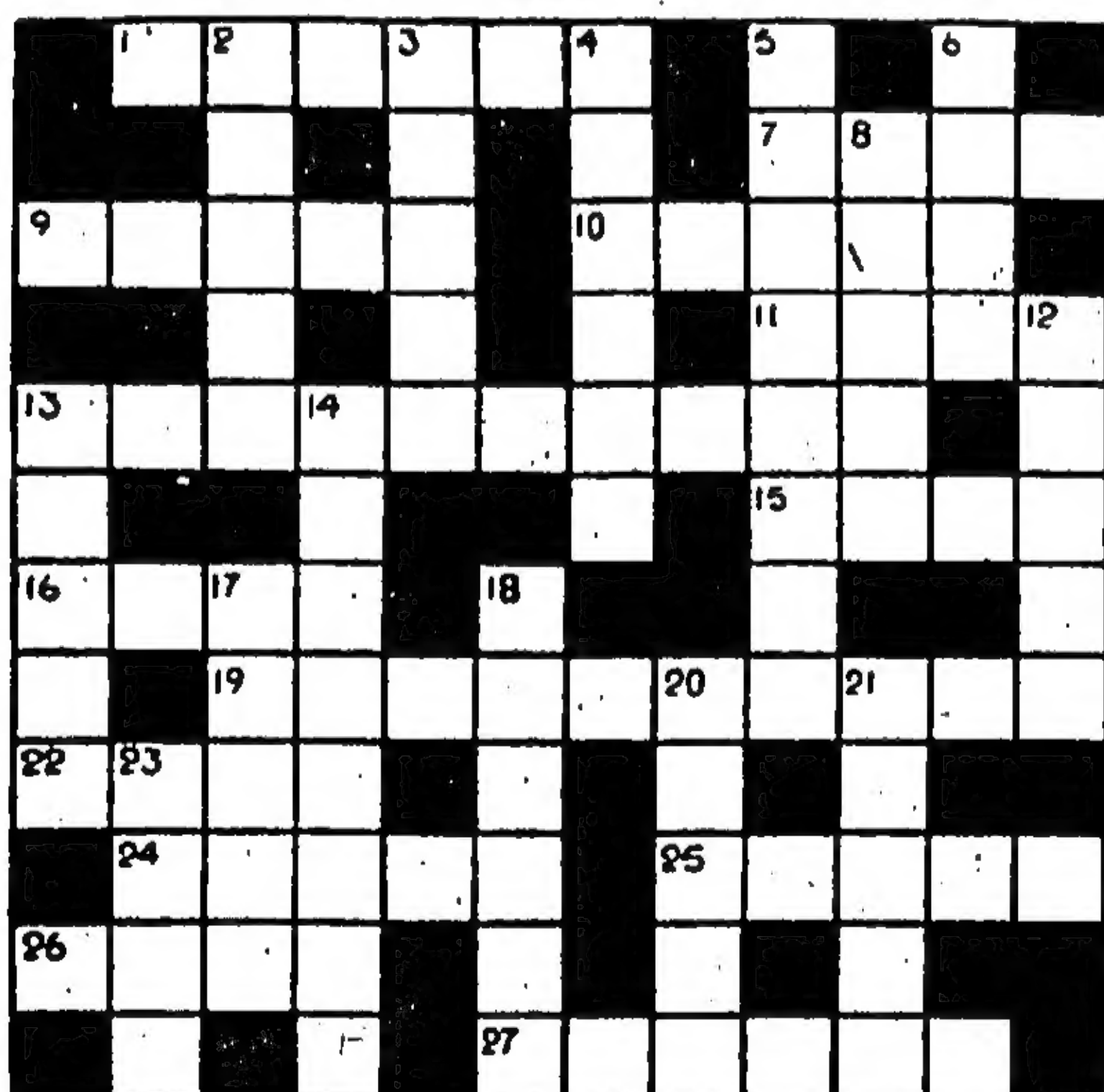
Mr. Ting expects to be away for one month during which period he will visit the Formosan port of Keelung, Kowloon, Canton, Macao, Swatow and Amoy.

RADIO

ZBW Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles, from 12.30 to 2.00 p.m., and from 6.00 to 11.00 p.m., and also on 9.52 megacycles in the 31 metre band from 12.30 to 1.30, 6.30 to 7.30 and 9.00 to 11.00 p.m.

12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.
12.35 p.m.—Don Ben and His Topsy Girls Orchestra and Joseph Schmidt, Tenor.
1.00 p.m.—Coleridge Taylor: Petite Suite de Concerto—London Sym. Orch.
1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.
1.25 p.m.—Orchestral Interlude.
1.30 p.m.—STUDIO: Chinese Dinnal and His Orchestra.
2.00 p.m.—Close Down.
6.00 p.m.—H.K. Transcription Service: "Mush Hiding in the March".
6.30 p.m.—André Kostelanets and His Orchestra.
7.00 p.m.—London Relay: World and Home News.
7.15 p.m.—STUDIO: Unit Requests—Shida Cater Calling R.A.F. 8th Squad.
8.15 p.m.—STUDIO: Secret Commentary.
8.25 p.m.—Interlude.
8.30 p.m.—H.K. Transcription Service: Melodies from British Films.
9.00 p.m.—London Relay: News.
9.10 p.m.—Weather Report.
9.15 p.m.—Plano Recital by Benno Moisewitch.
9.30 p.m.—H.K. Transcription Service: "Paul Temple and the Grievous Affair, Episode 3—'The Madrid'".
10.00 p.m.—London Relay: Radio News Reel.
10.15 p.m.—"Cabaret" and Dance Music.
11.00 p.m.—Close Down.

A BRITISH CROSS WORD PUZZLE



Clues Across

- 1 Bound.
- 7 Cupid.
- 9 Abrupt in manner.
- 10 Happen.
- 11 Requests.
- 13 Essay.
- 15 Specimen.
- 16 Struggle for.
- 19 Happening together.
- 22 Bring up.
- 24 Change.
- 25 Confusion.
- 26 Liberate.
- 27 Property.

Clues Down

- 2 Corpulent.
- 3 Deduce.
- 4 Moreau.
- 5 Container for wine.
- 6 Toll.
- 8 Out of practice.
- 12 Aroma.
- 13 Keen.
- 14 Sent abroad.
- 17 Climb.
- 18 In short supply.
- 20 Send.
- 21 Success.
- 23 Nobleman.

Yesterday's Crossword

Across—1 Common, 4 Snow, 7 Mirage, 8 Acute, 10 Tots, 12 Senator, 15 Inept, 16 Shoe, 17 Sane, 19 Earle.

Monkey Business



When Oka the gorilla arrived at the Bronx Zoo (New York) from the French Cameroons in 1942 she weighed a mere 20 lbs and, to weigh her, Keeper Jim Reilly had merely to put her on his back, step on the scales and deduct his own weight. But Oka has improved with age. To get her weighed today, Reilly has to give a practical exhibition.

PROFITEERS MUST PAY FINES OR HAVE BUSINESSES CLOSED UP

Profiteers appearing before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central Magistracy yesterday were given the alternative of paying fines or closure orders for one month.

Cheng See of Chung Shun (3 Tai Pak Terrace, West Point) was fined \$200 for selling a 3-lb tin of Cowline fullcream at \$8.00 (retail \$4.90). Defendant, whose shop was described by Inspector Pitman of the Price Control Department as a small grocery shop doing good business, pleaded ignorance of the price controls, saying that she left her shop to a friend.

Mr. d'Almada gave the woman time to pay up the fine or have her shop closed for one month.

Similarly treated was Chark Chiam Ming of Ming Kwong Chuan Kee (30 Hillier Street), fined \$100 for selling a 40-watt GE fluorescent lamp at \$7.00 (\$6.50). Defendant asserted that cost of labour was included in this sale.

Applying for Au Wah of Nee Ying (21, Shing Wo Road), Mr. Hui Shing Lo pleaded guilty for his client, saying that Au, who had been dismissed by his firm, was a fool and thought the holder and lamp were included in the price.

Defendant was cautioned.

Tin Of Oats

Li Pak-chu (Yue Hing Shing, 23 Leung Road) was fined \$100 for selling a 20-oz tin of Quaker Oats at \$1.80 (\$1.50).

Hun Kam-tin (Kwong Cheng Fat, 280 Hollywood Road) was fined \$100 for selling a 1-lb tin of Acorn butter at \$2.50 (\$2.35). Defendant said that the goods did not belong to him, although they were in his premises.

Rahmali, a partner who claimed to be the owner, told the Court that his folk sold the butter. The Chinese and the Indian were told to share the fine.

Li On (Heng Yick, 9 Percival Street) was fined \$50 for selling a 20-oz tin of Quaker Oats at \$1.80 (\$1.50).

Mak Cheuk (Kai Chun, 34 Percival Street) was fined \$150 for selling a catty of imported flour at 60 cents (44 cents).

Cheung Shing, (Ming Sun Co., 55 Shing Wo Road) was fined \$25 for selling a catty of Lever's Health Soap (China Made) at 70 cents (65 cents).

Mak Yee (Man Wah Lane, Western Central Stall 32) was fined \$40 for selling two apples (10 ozs.) at 80 cents (60 cents).

Lai Wai (Chung Lee Fruit Store, Bowling Street, Stall No. 8) was fined \$25 for selling two apples at \$1.00 (80 cents).

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SUPREME COURT ADMITS TWO NEW SOLICITORS

Mr. James Charles Stewart and Mr. Herbert Capstick were yesterday admitted by Mr. Justice E. H. Williams (Chief Justice), to practise as Solicitors of the Supreme Court of Hong Kong.

The Attorney General (Mr. J. B. Griffin), moving the application of Mr. Stewart said that Mr. Stewart was a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Scotland, having been admitted to practice as a Law Agent in Scotland in July, 1930.

Mr. Stewart joined the Royal Artillery at the outbreak of war. He completed his career in the Army with the rank of Colonel on the Legal Staff of South-east Asia Command.

Mr. Stewart, who now proposed to enter into practice in the firm of Messrs. Tso & Hodgson, had been both a member and president of the War Crime Courts in Hong Kong. The requirements of Section 22 of the Legal Practitioners' Ordinance had been complied with, except that he required four months' notice had not been given.

Solicitors Short

Mr. Griffin said the shortage of Solicitors was the reason why he would ask the Court to exercise its powers and waive the requirement in this respect.

Notice to the Incorporated Law Society of Hong Kong had been given and the Society had expressed no objection to the waiver.

Mr. Justice Williams, in granting Mr. Stewart's application, said that he was satisfied that, with his experience in the Supreme Court of the War Crime Tribunal, both as a member and president, Mr. Stewart should be a welcome addition to the ranks of the Solicitors of the Colony.

Mr. Justice Williams added that, prior to the war, it was very unusual for the four months' notice to be waived. After the Supreme Court had opened in 1946, there had been applications where this notice was waived.

He was satisfied, particularly in regard to Mr. Stewart, who was joining Messrs. Tso & Hodgson who were very short-handed, that this was a fit case where he should waive notice.

He would like to point out, however, that as conditions were returning to normal and as the number of Solicitors was increasing, he would, in future cases require the special grounds to the act out in full. Unless there were special grounds, he would not be prepared to waive the requisite four months' notice.

Second Application

Mr. Griffin then moved another application for the admission of Mr. H. Capstick to practise as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Hong Kong. Mr. Griffin said that Mr. Capstick was one of the many whose professional training had been interrupted by the war.

He entered into Article of Clerkship with Mr. G. H. R. Tildesley of Vernon House, Bloomsbury Square, London, W.C.1, a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of England, on Jan. 10, 1939.

On Sept. 2, 1939, he was mobilized with the Volunteer Reserve of the Royal Air Force.

He attained the rank of Acting Squadron Leader.

Upon release, Mr. Capstick served a further period of articles with the

HE STOLE TWO TINS OF TABLETS

Lam Siu Lei stole two tins of ascorbic acid tablets from the Queen Mary Hospital valued at \$22.

Unfortunately for Lam he was caught and when he appeared at Central Magistracy yesterday before Mr. J. G. Conklin he was fined ten times the cost of the tablets (\$220) with the option of serving ten weeks hard labour.

Insp. H. Brownrigg prosecuted.

Having been found inside the Cheng Lok Theatre without tickets, Kun Ng, 23, cooie and Yau Ping, 23, shop foki, were each fined \$40 by Mr. J. G. Conklin at Central Magistracy yesterday.

Lai Yau Wah, 32, shop foki, had his bail of \$50 estreated when he failed to appear.

Mr. J. Mugford prosecuted.

European Woman Tells Of Xmas Day Accident

At the resumed hearing of the case, in which Sgt. John Charles Kent, 983 Coy. R.A.S.C., is charged with dangerous driving at Castle Peak Road, near the 11-milestone, evidence was given by Mrs. Joyce Nelson before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr yesterday.

Mr. Nelson stated that she went out with her husband and son in their car (2908) to the 14-milestone on Christmas Day. They turned back to Kowloon soon after.

At about the 11-milestone, said Mrs. Nelson, she saw an ambulance coming around the corner at "a fast speed" on the wrong side of the road.

Their own car, she added, was on the correct side of the road, and going at between 20 and 30 m.p.h.

Her husband was knocked semi-conscious by the collision between the ambulance and their car.

She herself was dazed. She opened the sunshade roof and, after handing her son out, got through herself.

Some one got her husband out, said witness. She accompanied him to the Kowloon Hospital.

Further evidence will be heard on Wednesday afternoon.

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appointment.

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sealed cover, endorsed "Tender
for D.D.T. Powder", to be
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Dr. The Honourable I.
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Reverend George She.

Mrs. F. I. Tseung.

Mrs. M. K. Lo.

Mrs. C. Scott-Moncrieff,
M.B.E.

The terms of reference of the
Committee are to be as follows:
"To advise Government on
Social Welfare policy, on
schemes by which the policy
might be implemented, and on
the practical execution of these
schemes, with special reference
to:

- (a) The functions of the Social
Welfare Department.
- (b) Co-ordination of all Wel-
fare activities.
- (c) Selection and training of
personnel.
- (d) Financial aid from the
Hong Kong Treasury to
voluntary organizations and
institutions."

POLICE NOTICE

Applications are called for
from suitable candidates of any
nationality to fill a number of
vacancies in the local inspec-
torate of the Hong Kong Police
Force. Entrance will be by com-
petitive examination and subject
to being passed by the Selection
Board. Successful candidates
are on probation for a period of
two years and commence as
Grade II Probationary Sub-
Inspector at a commencing salary
of \$250.00 per month for the first
two years rising to \$350.00 per
month by three increments and
subject to passing an efficiency
bar. They are eligible for pro-
motion to Grade I at a salary of
from \$400.00 to \$500.00 per
month subject to passing effi-
ciency bars. A temporary high
cost of living allowance is also
payable of from \$220.00 to
\$280.00 per month for Grade II,
and from \$305.00 to \$380.00 per
month for Grade I. Married
officers with family being grant-
ed 100% of these amounts, mar-
ried officers without a family,
80% and unmarried officers,
60%.

Intending candidates should
possess the following qualifica-
tions:—

- (1) They must be of robust
physique. An aptitude for
games will be considered an
advantage.
- (2) Age: NOT over 25 years,
and not under 20 years.
- (3) Minimum height:—5' 6"
- (4) Minimum weight:—130
pounds.
- (5) Minimum unexpanded
chest:—32".
- (6) Good eyesight without
glasses.
- (7) They must have passed
the School Leaving Certi-
ficate Examination.
- (8) They must possess an ad-
vanced knowledge of both
written and spoken Eng-
lish and be able to speak
it fluently.
- (9) A knowledge of other
languages and dialects is
an advantage, particularly
a knowledge of Cantonese
and Mandarin.
- (10) Preference will be given
to British subjects by
birth.

Applicants should apply as soon
as possible and not later than
14th January 1948, to the Chief
Inspector, Police Headquarters,
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character, testimonials and certi-
ficates of education.

Commissioner of Police.
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SPLIT AMONG REPUBLICANS? Disagreement Over Europe Aid Plan Marshalls Threat To Resign

Washington, Jan. 8.
Signs of a major split in the ranks of the majority
Republican Party over the Marshall Plan were
evident here with the formal opening of the
crucial debate on the vast European recovery
scheme in the Senate Foreign Relations Com-
mittee.

At the same time, a newspaper reporter said that
the Secretary of State, Mr. George Marshall,
who originated the plan, and was the first
Government witness before the Committee,
might threaten to resign if Congress either
delayed or significantly alters his scheme.

The belief that internal strife
might break out in the Republi-
can Party over the Marshall
Plan was supported by the fact
that Senators Robert Taft and
Arthur Vandenberg—the lead-
ing majority Party figures in
the Senate—appear to possess
radically contrary views on it.

Although he has been cau-
tious in comment to date, there
is every evidence that Senator
Vandenberg fully believes in
the plan and—by recently
divesting himself of Presiden-
tial possibilities and political
ambitions—intends to fight for
it on a genuine bipartisan basis.
Senator Taft, on the other
hand, has publicly proclaimed
his conviction that the total
contributions should be slashed
and expressed the belief that
the debate will probably not be
concluded until July 1 at the
earliest.

"Pass Or I Quit"

Both men have a consider-
able following, which may re-
sult in an important and signifi-
cant split developing in the
Republican ranks.

With these Republican Party
split signs were press reports
that Mr. Marshall might pre-
claim a "pass the plan or I
quit".

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Hongkong, 1st January, 1948

RUSSIAN TREATY WITH NORWAY

Moscow, Jan. 9.
The Government has an-
nounced the signing of a new
treaty with Norway.
The announcement said that
the treaty would result in "a
significant increase in the
mutual exchange of goods" be-
tween the two countries. The
communiqué gave no details of
the treaty.—Associated Press.

Anglo-Czech Trade Talks

London, Jan. 8.
Dr. Hubert Rizka, Czechoslovak
Minister of Foreign Trade, is ex-
pected to arrive in London next
week at the invitation of Mr.
Harold Wilson, President of the
Board of Trade.
The visit is expected to be the
prelude to the opening of Anglo-
Czechoslovak talks which are to
include a general revision of the
balance of trade between the two
countries.
Dr. Rizka, who met Mr. Wilson
in Moscow last December when
he was negotiating a trade agree-
ment with the Soviet Union, is
understood to be anxious to de-
velop trade with Britain.
Britain is now Czechoslovakia's
leading supplier. Her exports
totalled \$13,600,000 in the first ten
months of last year. Czech ex-
ports to Britain amounted to
\$5,000,000.—Reuter.

Ford Sued For 250 Millions

NEW YORK, JAN. 9.
HARRY FERGUSON,
IRISH-BORN INVENTOR,
TODAY ACCUSED THE
FORD MOTOR COMPANY
OF APPROPRIATING HIS
HYDRAULIC SYSTEM HIT-
TING FARM IMPLEMENTS
TO TRACTORS AND SUE
FORD. THREE SUBSIDI-
ARIES AND EIGHT IN-
DIVIDUALS IN A FEDERAL
DISTRICT COURT FOR \$251-
000,000.

This is one of the largest
civil suits ever filed in the
United States.

Henry Ford, II, president
and one of the eight sued, had
an answer ready within a few
minutes after the suit was filed.
He said that Ford, not Fergus-
on, was the loser in the farm
implement deal in question.

Ford said, "The mere sug-
gestion that there has been con-
spiracy or unfair competition is
ridiculous. The blunt truth is
that it made Ferguson a multi-
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Company \$25,000,000 in the
process."—United Press.



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PEACE TREATY IN FAR EAST Another Russian Note To Great Britain Moscow Sticks To Original Stand

London, Jan. 8.

Russia has restated her contention that the Far Eastern peace settlement should be dealt with in the first instance by the Council of Foreign Ministers on the pattern of the peace treaties in European, but with China replacing France. The receipt of a new Russian note was announced by a Foreign Office spokesman today. It is in reply to Britain's answer, dated Dec. 12, to an earlier Soviet proposal to the United States, Britain and China for a January meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers in China to begin on the Japanese peace treaty.

Reuters diplomatic corres-
pondent says that the latest Soviet
note should not be confused

with Moscow's recent reply
to China on the same subject.
Both contain the central
thesis of the Soviet Government
that the Japanese peace treaty
should be the prerogative of the
great powers.

This is the third occasion
since the failure of the London
Conference that Russia has
publicly stated her insistence
on extending the privileged
position of the members of the
Council of Foreign Ministers in
the European treaty-making to
the Far Eastern settlement.

British View

The British view is that no
such privilege should be ac-
cording to the great powers, but
that all Allied powers who
actively fought the war against
Japan should be consulted on
an equal footing from the out-
set.

This view was clearly stated
in the British reply to the first
Soviet note. There would con-
sequently appear to be no im-
mediate necessity for a restatement
of the British view.

The deadlock on the first step
in the Far Eastern peace treaty
negotiations now appears to be
complete, with Russia standing
out for a virtual four-power
monopoly and Britain and the
United States solidly opposed to it.

China Insists

China's position, although no
reply to the latest Soviet note
to the Chinese Government is
yet announced, does not appear
to have undergone any recent
modification, to judge by a
statement made yesterday by
the Vice-Minister for Foreign
Affairs, Dr. George Yeh.

Dr. Yeh said that China in-
sisted on retaining veto power
in the Far Eastern settlement
as a "legitimate protection of
her own interest," but recalled
that China had never yet exer-
cised her right of veto inside
the Security Council of the
United Nations and did not in-
tend to misuse the privilege.—
Reuters.

NEW TRUMAN APPOINTMENT

Washington, Jan. 8.
President Truman announced today
the appointment of Mr. George V.
Allen, now Ambassador to Persia,
Assistant Secretary of State, for
Public Affairs, a post which includes
the direction of the State Depart-
ment's "Voice of America" broad-
casts.

Mr. Allen will fill the post left
open when Mr. William Benton
resigned recently. Mr. Allen's ap-
pointment must be approved by the
Senate.—Reuters.

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WITCH HUNT TO RESUME

Washington, Jan. 8.
The Un-American Activities
Committee of Congress will
resume its hunt of Holly-
wood Communists "in the
very near future," the
Committee Chairman, Re-
presentative J. Parnell
Thomas (Republican of New
Jersey), said today.
The autumn hearings re-
sulted in contempt of
Congress cases and Grand
Jury indictments against 10
screen writers, producers
directors, who declined to
say whether they were, or
ever had been, Communist
Party members.—Reuters.

Drastic Economy Measures

PARIS, JAN. 8.
FURTHER DRASTIC ECONO-
MY MEASURES TO SAVE THE
FRANC FROM SERIOUS INFLA-
TION WERE ENVISAGED IN A
BROADCAST TONIGHT BY THE
MINISTER OF FINANCE, M.
RENE MAYER.

After outlining the need for his
125,000 million francs taxation
loan passed by the National As-
sembly, M. Mayer said: "Some
people believe that massive econo-
mies would be sufficient to meet
the demands of the situation.
I know that economies are
possible and I will require them.
Entire services must disappear
and this is allowed for in my
economic policy."

"Serious cuts will follow those
which have already been made in
certain military expenses. Cer-
tain nationalised industries are
carrying unnecessary expenses.
In the 300,000 million franc
budget, a 10 per cent reduction
will be brought into operation be-
fore March 31 by the Government
and Parliament."
In 1948, 150,000 civil servants
will be disbanded and reclassi-
fied.—Reuters.

TNT DISCOVERY

Freehold, N.J., Jan. 9.
Police found a cache of 85-
000 pounds of TNT, which of-
ficials believe was intended for
shipment to Palestine, on a
farm here today.

The raid followed the dis-
covery last week of an attempt-
ed illegal shipment of 65,000
pounds of dynamite to Pale-
stine aboard a freighter tied up
at a Jersey City pier.

The Federal Bureau of In-
vestigation has not been able
to determine the identity of the
shippers.—United Press.

Belgrade Accuses Italy Of Delay

Belgrade, Jan. 8.

Yugoslavia today charged Italy with deliberate ob-
struction in solving the question of a governor
for the Free Territory of Trieste.

The Yugoslav Foreign Office
spokesman said that the Italian
Government had rejected the
names proposed by Yugoslavia
on the grounds that she was un-
able to accept candidates from
countries with which she had
been at war.

The Italians, in turn, propos-
ed candidates they knew would
not be acceptable to Belgrade,
the spokesman said.

The names proposed by
Yugoslavia were Dr. Nohudav
Ecca, chief of the Czecho-
slovakian delegation to the In-
ternational Military Tribunal at
Nuremberg, Senator George
Branting, of Sweden, and the
President of the Norwegian
Supreme Court M. Emil Stang,
the spokesman said.

He pointed out that Sweden
had never been at war with

Italy. When these names were
rejected, the Yugoslavs propos-
ed two others: The French
Ambassador in Prague, M.
Maurice Dejean, and the for-
mer Spanish Republican Am-
bassador in London, Senor
Pablo de Alcaraz Florez. Both
these were rejected.

The Italian Government pro-
posed two Swiss and later a
third Swiss and a South
African. The spokesman said
that none of these were accept-
able to the Yugoslav Govern-
ment.

He asserted that the South
Africa, "as a delegate of his
country at the Paris Peace Con-
ference, was noted for his anti-
Yugoslav attitude". The spokes-
man did not identify Italy's
candidates, other than by na-
tionality.—Reuters.

Michael Selling His Cars

LAUSANNE, JAN. 8.
EX-KING MICHAEL OF
RUMANIA, BELIEVED TO
BE WORRIED BY FINAN-
CIAL PROBLEMS, INTENDS
TO SELL IMMEDIATELY
TWO OF THE FOUR CARS
WHICH HE BROUGHT WITH
HIM FROM RUMANIA FOUR
DAYS AGO FOLLOWING HIS
ABDICATION.

The Rumanian Government is
handing over to the people the
extensive property owned by
Michael and the former Royal
Family, the Bucharest Radio
announced tonight.

The announcement added that
owing to the enormous size of
the Royal property the Govern-
ment commission appointed to
administer it had not yet been
able to compile an inventory.

Michael alone, it was estimat-
ed, owned 23,000 hectares of
private land and the Royal
Family owned numerous estates,
yachts, hunting grounds, banks,
factories, buildings and all
other kinds of enterprise, the
broadcast said.

It was estimated that the
Royal Family alone owned over
150,000 hectares besides 50,000
hectares in other estates.—
Reuters.

KARACHI RIOT TOLL

Karachi, Jan. 9.
Premier Mohammad Ayub
Khurro of the province of Sind
announced last night that 122
had been killed and 200 injured
in two days of communal riot-
ing here. He said 61 of the
dead were Sikhs.

The latest report was that
only two or three looting inci-
dents occurred on Wednesday
and that they were controlled
by police, who shot three loot-
ing Moslems.—Associated
Press.

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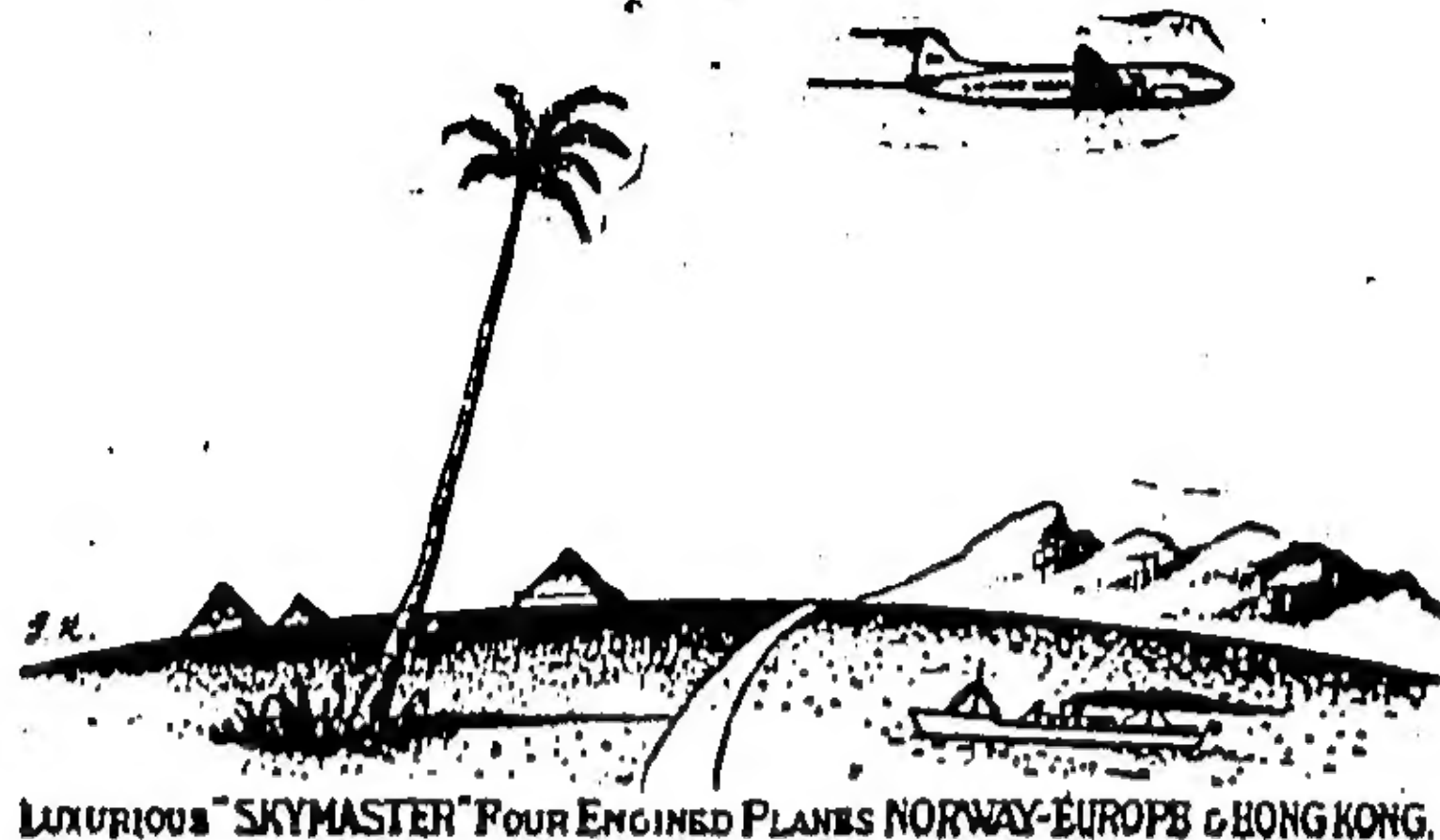
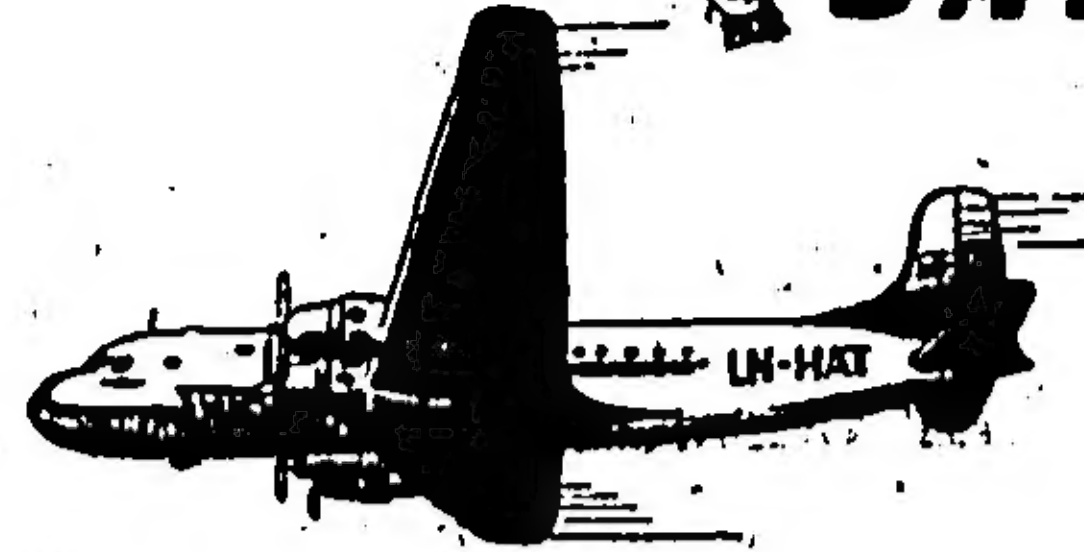
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BRITISH PLAN FOR GERMANY

Parallel Aims With United States

Formal Division Of Reich?

London, Jan. 8.
The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, today
tabled for discussion by the Cabinet his detailed
report on the failure of the Council of For-
eign Ministers to reach an agreement on joint
action in Germany and its significance for
future British policy in Germany.

Coming as it does immediately after yesterday's
announcement of new measures for coordinat-
ing German participation in the economic ad-
ministration of the Anglo-American bi-zone,
Cabinet consideration of German policy must
necessarily take into account the new situa-
tion created by this concentration of adminis-
trative power in Frankfurt.

The first Soviet reaction to
the new proposals made by Gen-
eral Lucius Clay and General
Brian Robertson, both in the
Soviet-controlled press and in
the comment of the Soviet offi-
cial press agency from Berlin,
are critical.

The proposals are denounced
in a Tass Agency despatch as
aiming at "virtual dismember-
ment of Germany, a course
fraught with grave conse-
quences for the German people."

The Cabinet decisions on fu-
ture British policy must clearly
depend, to a great extent, on
initiative which lies outside
purely British control.

Mr. Bevin, in addressing
Parliament on the failure of
the London Conference, made
it clear that nothing would be
done on the British side to close
the door on an eventual four-
power agreement in Germany.

Russian Move?

It may be fairly assumed
that this basic aim underlies
the recommendations which are
understood to accompany Mr.
Bevin's analysis of the present
German situation and of the
necessary steps for handling it
in future.

The central question in the
opinion of diplomatic observers
here now whether Russia will
choose to regard the new ad-
ministrative measures, in the
bi-zone as a pretext for finalis-
ing the division of Germany by
a break in the Allied Control
machinery in Berlin or whether
she will content herself with
attempting to persuade the Ger-
man people that it is America
and Britain who are bent on
dividing Germany.

Arguments advanced in Lon-
don by those who believe that
Russia intends to make an early
break include the following:

1.—The stepping up of Soviet
propaganda in Berlin, designed
to convince the population of
the capital that the days of the
Western Powers' delegations to
the quadripartite Control Coun-
cil in the German capital are
numbered.

The Other View

2.—The desire of the Soviet
authorities to close the gap which
Berlin represents in an almost
complete isolation of the Soviet
Zone from contact with the
Western world.

3.—The accumulation of
rumours indicating increasingly
hastened Soviet preparations for
a new administrative pattern in
the Soviet Zone.

The counter-arguments cen-
tre primarily round the belief
that Russia does not yet wish
to see Germany formally divid-

ed because she can extend her
political influence in the West-
ern Zones more effectively if
the present uncertainty is main-
tained.

In addition, many observers
here believe that Russia's de-
clared intention of perpetuating
the machinery of the Council of
Foreign Ministers for the
Japanese peace settlement will
prevent her forcing a rupture
in Berlin.

British Aims

If the quadripartite control
survives the announcement of
the new economic reorganisa-
tion of the Anglo-American bi-
zone, then British policy is
likely to be guided by two
parallel aims.

First, in conjunction with
the United States to continue
the practical task of promoting
economic recovery in the bi-
zone, while giving the Germans
themselves increased responsi-
bilities for the working out of
their own problems.

Secondly, to continue the his-
toric unsuccessful attempt to
promote German economic
unity.

The most likely concrete
efforts Mr. Bevin will propose
to this end are an increase in
trade between the Western and
Eastern Zones of Germany and
between the Western Zones and
Eastern European countries and
early conclusion of currency re-
form on a quadripartite basis.—
Reuter.

Fears For Safety Of U.N. Body

Lake Success, Jan. 9.
United Nations officials here are becoming in-
creasingly concerned about the safety of the
Palestine Commission when it finally arrives
on the spot.

What was expected to be
merely a short-lived outbreak
of violence now seems to have
settled down to a steady slaugh-
ter without any signs of abating.

The growing belief among
many delegations that partition
of the Holy Land cannot be en-
forced without some kind of an
army, throws into relief the fail-
ure of the United Nations so far
to create even the rudiments
of a world security force.

The main point of discussion
among the great powers is the
strength of the proposed con-

PREDICTION FOR GREECE

Athens, Jan. 8.
Complete defeat for the
Greek guerrilla forces by
the end of spring or early sum-
mer was predicted today by
General William G. Livesey,
head of the United
States combined staff group
in Greece.

The general added that
the United States War and
State Departments had al-
ways intended to send all
the supplies necessary to
achieve that end. He told
correspondents that he ex-
pected to approve shortly
recommendations giving
more arms to the Greek
people.—Reuter.

German Workers Walk Out

DUESSELDORF, JAN. 8.
SOME 35,000 WORKERS IN
SOLINGEN, THE GERMAN
STEEL CITY, DOWNED
TOOLS TODAY FOR A 48-
HOUR GENERAL STRIKE.

The strikers, acting on the
orders of the Solingen Trade
Council, demanded that both
normal and workers' rations be
met in full and that blackmar-
keters be adequately punished.

Solingen was calm and no
disturbances were expected.

In Duesseldorf, Mulheim,
Oberhausen and other Ruhr
cities today, trade councils were
meeting to decide action.

At the week-end, union lead-
ers will decide whether to call
a general strike throughout the
Ruhr "to call the attention of
the world to our plight."

Some unions are demanding
a general strike throughout the
British Zone, but union leaders
are opposed to this proposal.

It was not clear today whe-
ther the Essen miners would
join in the five-hour general
strike called at Essen for to-
morrow. The miners' leader-
ship opposed participation, but
many miners wished to strike
and other unions had expressed
support.—Reuter.

Currency Reform In China

SHANGHAI, JAN. 9.
A CHINESE DESPATCH
FROM CANTON TODAY RE-
PORTED THAT HUANG
YUAN-PIN, MEMBER OF
THE NATIONAL ECONOMIC
COUNCIL, SAID THAT GEN-
ERALISSIMO CHIANG KAI-
SHEK HAS "HANDLED TO
THE FINANCE MINISTRY
AN OUTLINE PLAN FOR
CURRENCY REFORM. THE
MAIN POINT OF WHICH
CALLS FOR THE LIFTING
OF ALL CONTROLS ON
FOREIGN EXCHANGE.

Huang said that the lifting
of exchange controls also would
be likely to result in the loosening
of import controls.

Huang warned against com-
plete reliance on United States
aid, called for a rebirth of Chi-
nese industry and added that
the proposed currency reform
would bring an end to black-
markets in gold, bars, foreign
currencies and commodities.—
United Press.

British H.Q. In Greece To Close

Athens, Jan. 8.
Sir Clifford Norton, British Am-
bassador in Greece, today in-
formed M. Constantin Tsaldaris, Greek
Foreign Minister, that British
headquarters in Athens will short-
ly cease to exist.

Sir Clifford Norton was under-
stood to have explained that it
was purely an administrative mea-
sure which would not affect the
overall strength of British com-
bat troops in Greece.

Authoritative quarters explained
that the move merely reduces
British headquarters to conform
to the strength of British troops
now generally known to total one
battalion with its headquarters at
Sofia.

The move in no way affects the
British military mission to Greece
commanded by Major-General S.
B. Rawlins.—Reuter.

ANGLO-DANISH BARGAINING

London, Jan. 8.
Bargaining for Danish bacon
and butter started in London
today when the joint Anglo-
Danish financial committee met
at the Treasury on the third day
of its trade talks.

A Danish spokesman described
the previous meetings with
British officials as "friendly
and cooperative".

Members of the Danish de-
legation were entertained to a
dinner by Mr. John Strachey,
Minister of Food.—Reuter.

A SLANDER?

London, Jan. 8.
Commenting today on the
Swiss rumours that Marshal
Stalin is dead, M. Pavlov, Coun-
sellor of the Soviet Embassy in
London, said: "The report is
obviously a slanderous and
monstrous fabrication".—Reuter.

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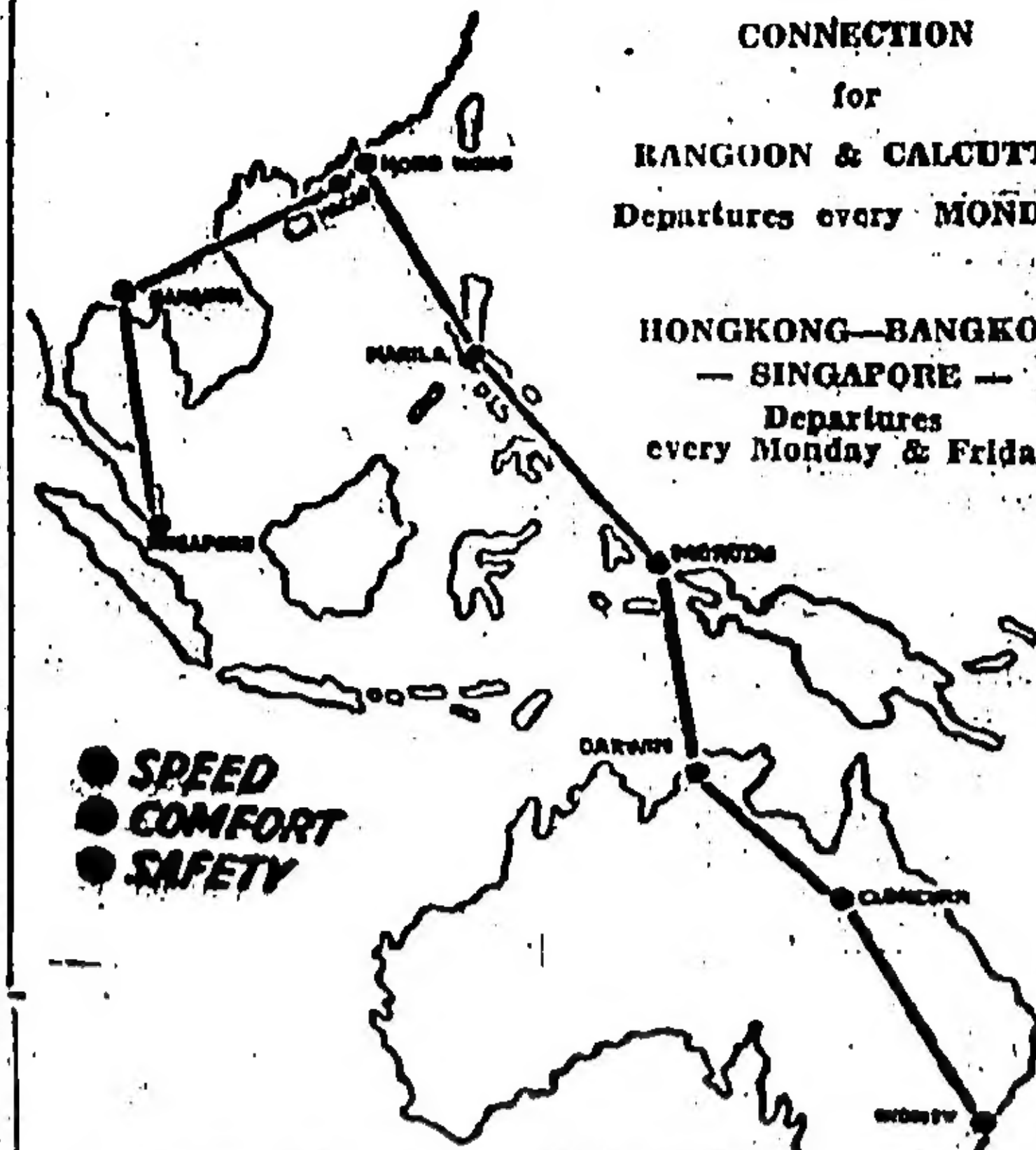
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Recommendations to bring Chicago traffic standards up to those of some other major cities are contained in a survey by the International Association of Chiefs of Police.

Included in the programme are a "fixproof" system of traffic tickets, installation of more "drunk-meter" equipment to detect intoxication, and substitution of three-wheeled motorcycles for horses in the mounted division.

The survey recommends doubling traffic division personnel and calls for purchase of \$500,000 worth of equipment "absolutely necessary."

Traffic experts who prepared the survey cite the necessity for having more traffic law enforcement and for complete training of traffic judges.

Similar successful modernization programmes in Detroit, Milwaukee, Washington and other cities are pointed out as an indication of what the programme could accomplish.

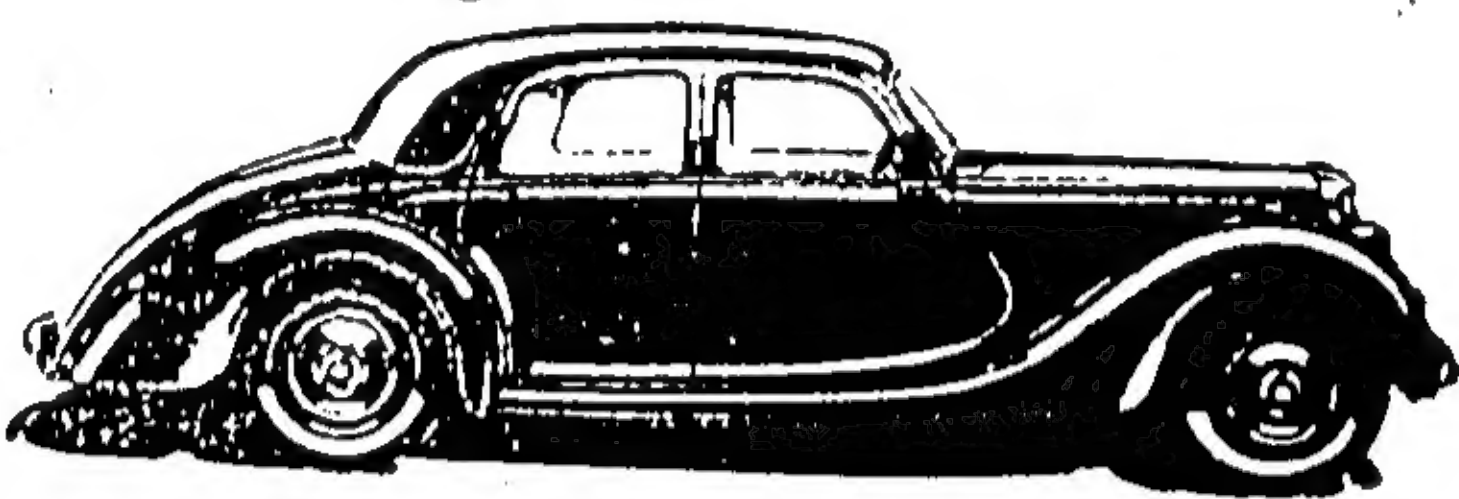
Also recommended is the establishment of a permanent training school at which new traffic policemen can be instructed and refresher courses given.

The report urges enactment of a pedestrian control law "with teeth," under which jaywalkers and persons who walk against red lights would be subject to stiff penalties.

If the association's recommendations are adopted, drivers who fail to give pedestrians the right of way also will be prosecuted.



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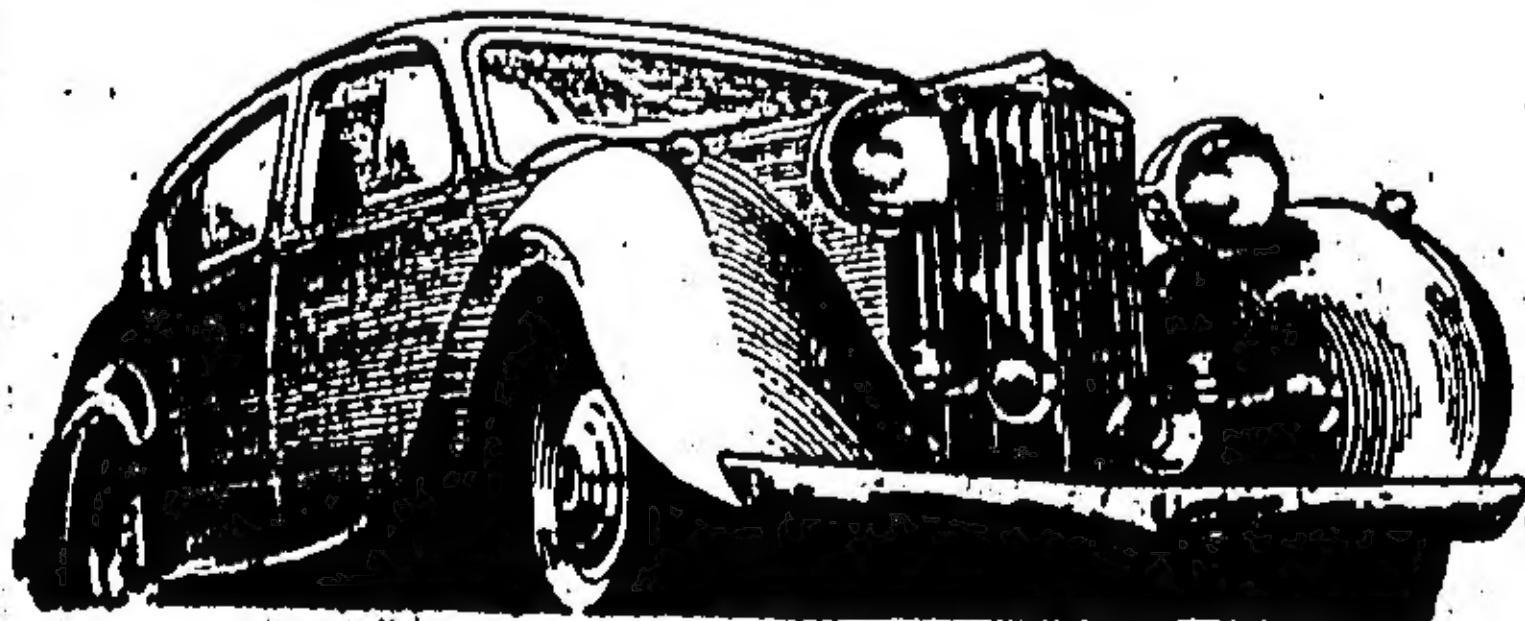


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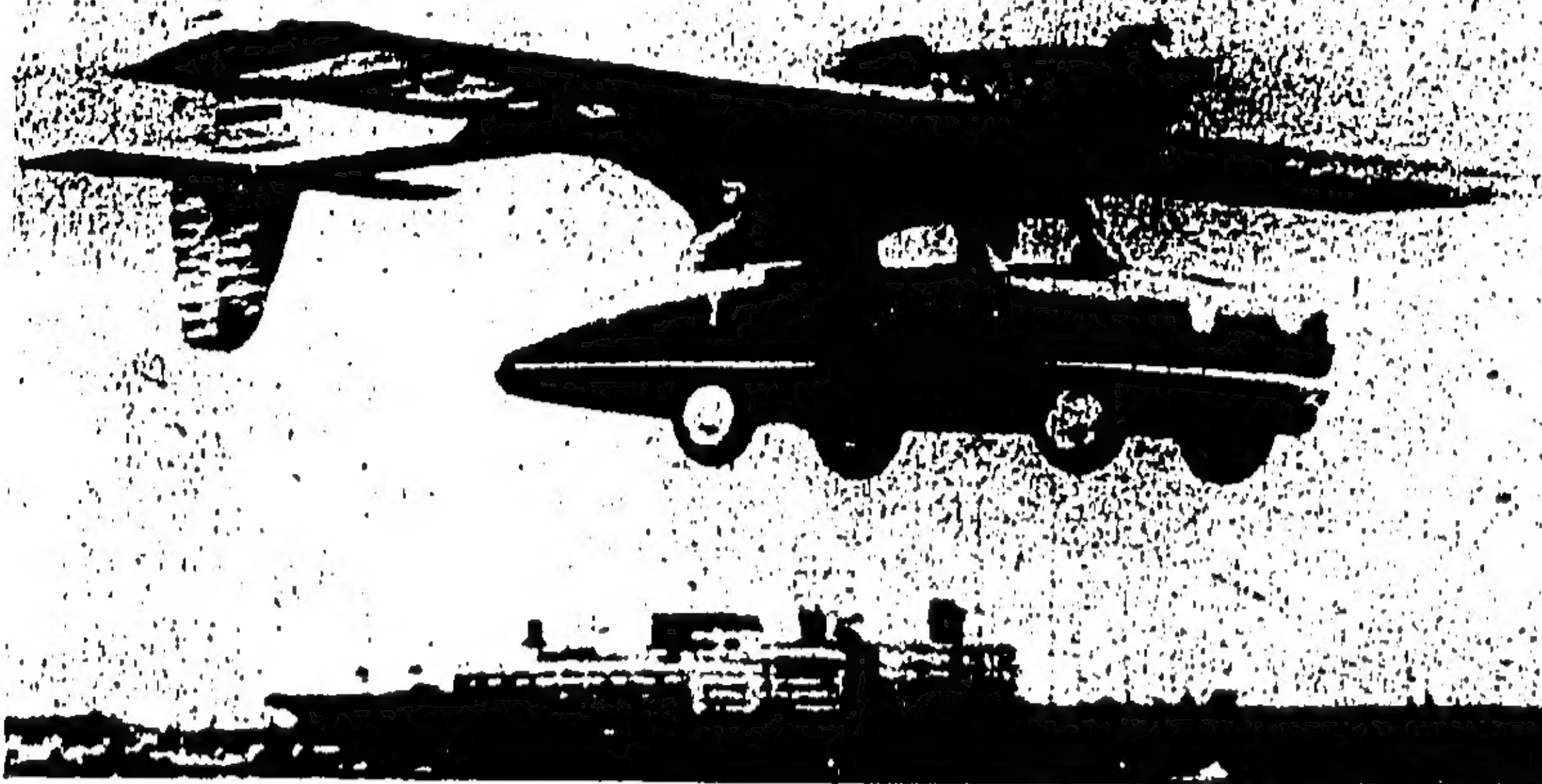


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The Flying Motor Car



An experimental four-seater "flying automobile," built by Consolidated Vultee, recently took off on a successful test flight from San Diego, California. The plane, which has a detachable wing and separate engine in the car for ground operation, circled the city for an hour and eighteen minutes. Another inventor of a flying car recently was not so successful—he ran out of petrol and crashed! (APhoto).

Sparkling Performance Of New Austins

Pardon My Dust

It is illegal in Springfield, Ohio, to dust the interior of a motor vehicle while it is in transit on the city streets.

We thought you might like to know.

British Export Hopes

The new Minister of Supply, Mr. George Russell Strauss, made his second public appearance in that capacity at Vauxhall's Luton factory recently, when he was persuaded to don overalls and drive the 500,000th Bedford lorry off the end of the assembly line.

In his speech, which followed the marking of this fine production record, he was complimentary to all and sundry, and is evidently going more carefully than his predecessor.

Of the motor industry he said: "Every car exported means that 10,000 of our fellow-citizens will be assured of their meat ration for a week. This year we expect that the export of private cars will reach nearly forty million pounds; and next year 60 million pounds. On our part I promise you that I and my colleagues in the Ministry of Supply will give you all the assistance we can."

No Drop

Sir Charles Bartlett, managing director of Vauxhall's, in his reply, put the motor industry's point of view as tactfully as he could, when he said:

"Schemes alone are bare bones. They must be clothed in human understanding and carried out with an appreciation of one's social responsibilities."

He said that there had been no drop in Vauxhall production and that they were in fact 15 to 20 per cent more efficient than pre-war; that 75 per cent of all Vauxhalls were now being exported, and that production this year would probably constitute a record. He added: "I do not think that the export target set for the motor industry is by any means unattainable."

The Press

Finally, Sir Charles drew the Minister of Supply's attention particularly to one special aspect of the export drive.

Dependability has for long been a quality of the Austin products of which the manufacturers have been justly proud. That a sparkling performance is also now available was dramatically demonstrated recently at Monthery.

There the new A40 models, the two-door Dorset and the four-door Devon saloons, and the Sixteen were put through their paces by Alan Hess and Captain G. E. T. Eyston. Moreover, a challenge was issued to all comers to do better.

Acceleration over a kilometre from a standing start resulted in time of 47 2/5 sec for the Devon, 47 3/5 sec for the Dorset, and 45 1/5 sec for the Sixteen. Maximum speed for a flying lap was 72 m.p.h. for the Devon, Eyston driving, and 75 m.p.h. for the Sixteen.

A fuel consumption test, on the Dorset gave 39.0 m.p.g. at a speed of 37 m.p.h. Braking was also tested and from a speed of 62 m.p.h. the Dorset was brought smoothly to rest in 216ft. From 31 m.p.h. the stopping distance was 40ft.

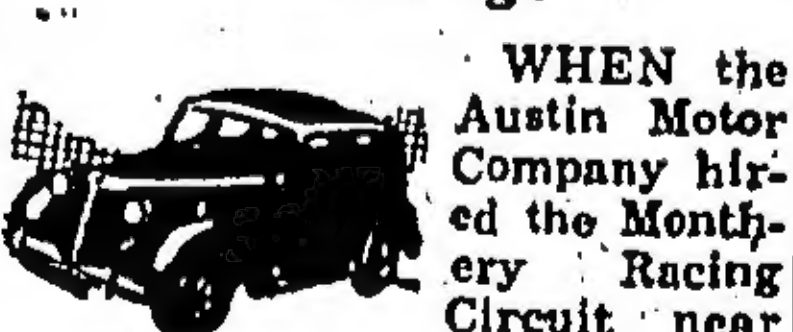
Leap In Air

Manoeuvrability of the A40 was demonstrated by Alan Hess with a series of tight turns and by running two wheels over a 1ft ramp, at sufficient speed for the car to leap almost bodily into the air.

A considerable crowd of foreign agents and Salon visitors, amongst whom was Mr. L. P. Lord, found this "hell-driving" display duly impressive.

The weather was fine but cold, with a brisk wind which could hardly have aided the times recorded. Incidentally, never before can the timekeepers' cabin have sheltered so many.

Challenge



WHEN the Austin Motor Company hired the Montfery Racing Circuit near Paris and challenged allcomers (in the same class) to compete against the new Austin A40, in a series of official tests they offered to pay the National Press Fund of France 10,000 francs if they were beaten.

This was a very small sum (approximately 20 guineas), but it was the most the Austin Motor Company would have

accepted of the export drive. "I would like, sir," he said, "to pay a special tribute to the technical Press. Their influence is profound and not to be judged on circulation alone, and I am sure they will play an increasingly important part in helping to develop export markets for the motor industry."

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WORLD HANGING IN BALANCE

Moving Statement By Mr. George Marshall

Position Depends On America

Washington, Jan. 8. The Secretary of State, Mr. George Marshall, today told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee: "The world situation is critical in the extreme."

As the first Government witness in the special debate on his vast European recovery plan, Mr. Marshall made a moving statement after he had finished reading his prepared address.

"The whole world hangs in the balance and depends on what we do," he declared.

"There is widespread instability. There are concerted efforts to change the whole face of Europe as we know it, contrary to the interests of free mankind and free civilization."

Speaking in grim tones, Mr. Marshall added that it was of the greatest importance that the peoples of the United States as well as Canada should have a thorough understanding of today's critical world situation.

"It is often said that we won the victory, but we haven't," he declared.

Nearly 100 reporters and 500 visitors were in the gallery.

Most Important

Today was the first day of the hearing of witnesses by the

Senate Foreign Relations Committee, a procedure which may take up to six weeks.

Among those to "give evidence" are six Cabinet Ministers, Government experts and private citizens, who are leaders of industry, labour and agriculture.

Mr. Marshall described the European recovery programme as "the most important aspect of our foreign policy at the present time."

He said that he had asked President Truman personally not to put the Marshall Plan administration under the State Department. On the other hand, he insisted that the State Department should have full direction and control over the foreign policy aspects of the plan.

Self-Help

Mr. Marshall cited as one of these aspects "the recent efforts, which might be repeated, to produce bloodshed and bring down the Governments in France and Italy."

Another aspect, he said, was the part Latin American countries will play in the programme. He said that they would get a "very great lift," amounting to perhaps \$250,000,000 in the first 15 months, from the cash that the United States proposes to make available for purchases by European countries.

Mr. Marshall said that he did not consider there was any danger of the plan promoting a permanent belief in European nations that the United States would always be there as their "father figure."

"The contrary is really the truth. Already they are getting together and making combined, intelligent and aggressive efforts to help themselves."

Spiritual Uplift

"This is not merely a material programme. Even more important is its spiritual uplift."

The Secretary of State continued: "You must remember that you are dealing with sick

WAR CRIMES SENTENCES

Singapore, Jan. 8. All capital war criminals in South-East Asia have now been sentenced, according to a spokesman of South-East Asia Land Forces here.

The South-East Asia war crimes organisation, based on Singapore, which has held 200 trials involving 883 Japanese, will be disbanded soon, he said.

Of the war criminals tried, 220 were sentenced to death, 537 were imprisoned—55 of them for life—and 126 acquitted.

Of those sentenced to death 165 were hanged, 26 committed suicide, and 29 still await execution.—Reuter.

nations. You have got to get a sick man back on his feet before he can do much for himself.

"As far as Western Europe is concerned, we hope this will take about 15 months. Already the very idea of the programme has been a tremendous stimulus. We fail to appreciate the amount of pride in these nations."

Replying to a question from Senator Vandenberg, Mr. Marshall said that countries in the plan, such as Sweden, Switzerland and Ireland, should be regarded as "cooperators," rather than "beneficiaries," though they would undoubtedly profit considerably from the programme and receive some goods from the United States.—Reuter.

U.S. Re-Equipping Europe's Mills

Washington, Jan. 8. A more detailed study of the 15 volumes of the Government's recommendations concerning the allocation of resources to European countries under the Marshall Plan reveals important features relating to the projected industrial development of Europe during the next four years.

The document notes that countries of Western Europe are planning the expansion of steel-making capacity to the value of \$2,225,000,000. The equipment would cost about 40 per cent of this sum.

It was proposed to import from the United States about 45 per cent of all requirements of equipment.

In consequence of the scarcity of supplies of scrap iron in the United States, no supplies of American scrap were available for export. The requirements of imported scrap by participating countries are about 3,000,000 tons yearly.

The report urges prompt investigation of the possibility of buying substantial quantities of scrap in the Soviet Zones of Germany and Austria, either for hard currency or in exchange for machinery.

The report envisages that European countries may buy quantities of finished steel in the United States to meet the deficiency of scrap.

Generally, the American Government revises the estimates prepared by the European countries in three principal directions. These are:

Coal Shortage

1. A substantial reduction in the estimate of European production capacity.

2. A substantial decrease in the quantity of crude steel available from the United States.

3. Substantial increases in the quantity of finished steel assumed to be available from the United States.

Another section of the report is devoted to the shortage of coal in Europe. It describes the supply of coal as decisive for industrial recovery.

"The coal problem of the European importing countries will be largely solved when British coal production rises to levels permitting the resumption of pre-war exports."

Although Poland is not participating in the Marshall Plan, the report said that Poland would occupy a key role in the solution of the coal problem.

The report assumes that exports of Polish coal to the Soviet Union will have ceased completely by 1951 and that Poland will find an economic advantage in exporting westward her increasing coal production.

Too Many Ships

In the section on shipbuilding, the State Department repeats the American misgivings about Europe's expanding shipbuilding programme. The major share of the ship of over 11,000 tons to be constructed by 1951 is projected by Soviet officials. The report recommends that a portion of the projected building should be postponed until more

Snow And Flood In America

CHICAGO, Jan. 8. MORE SNOW FELL ON NEW YORK TODAY AND FIVE WERE REPORTED DROWN IN OREGON AS FLOODING RIVERS AND STREAMS FORCED THEM TO FLEE FROM THEIR HOMES.

Oregon floods disrupted rail and highway transportation and hundreds of homes in at least 20 communities were flooded.

The broad Willamette River swelled over its banks at several points along the 125-mile valley.

Floods forced 1,400 persons to leave their homes at Gelsonwood suburb in Eugene, Oregon.

The main line of transportation between Portland and San Francisco was shut off when a wash-out swept away 150 feet of track on the Southern Pacific line near Dunsmuir, California.—United Press.

BRITISH ARMS FOR GREECE

Athens, Jan. 8. Forty thousand rifles and stocks of ammunition will be shipped almost immediately from Britain to Greece as a result of a gift of approximately £750,000 to the Greek Government from Greek citizens with sterling balances in Britain.

The arms will be distributed to the Greek army and National Defence Corps.—Reuter.

AMERICAN AID FOR NANKING

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8. AMERICAN AID FOR CHINA, SUGGESTED YESTERDAY BY PRESIDENT TRUMAN IN HIS "STATES OF THE UNION" MESSAGE, WILL BE SUBMITTED TO CONGRESS POSSIBLY WITHIN A FORTNIGHT, AFTER SPECIAL ENVOYS OF GENERALissimo CHIANG KAI-SHEK HAVE BEEN CONSULTED.

The proposal calls for \$300,000,000 or possibly more.

The special envoys, Mr. Yu Tai-wai, Minister of Communications, and Dr. Pei Tsuyeh, former Director of the Central Bank of China, were to start for Washington today.

Officials here said that the Chinese will make recommendations in much the same manner that representatives of the 18-nation Paris Conference offered theirs in drafting the Marshall Plan.

The suggestion that the special Chinese mission be consulted in advance came from the Nanking Government, which is expected to bring new estimates of the National Government's ability to carry on the war against the Chinese Communists.

President Truman, in his brief reference to China yesterday, said that the aim of the aid programme would be to "qualify urgent relief needs and to speed reconstruction."—Reuter.

Clamp-Down On Reds

Beirut, Jan. 8. Lebanon security forces today carried out a four-hour search of Communist centres here as well as trade union headquarters and the club of the Friends of the Soviet Union.

Certain documents and small arms were reported found, but no arrests were made.

Lebanon is the only Arab League country where the Communist Party openly exists, a seven-year-old decree dissolving the party having never been enforced.

During sporadic demonstrations in Beirut today, Jewish shops were damaged following an announcement that explosives were discovered in the Jewish quarter last night.—Reuter.

INVERCHAPEL IN HIGH SPIRITS

Annapolis, Jan. 9. The British Ambassador, Lord Inverchapel, today came to the Naval Academy to give a lecture on his experience in China and ended up dancing a Highland fling for several hundred delighted Midshipmen. The dancing was strictly impromptu.

He was inspired by the presence of a full-fledged bagpiper among the midshipmen who greeted the Scottish-born Ambassador.—United Press.

R.A.F. TO BLAST HELIGOLAND

Hamburg, Jan. 8. R.A.F. Bomber Command will carry out practice bombing on Heligoland on Jan. 13 and 14.

All shipping and local craft have been warned to keep clear of the island for 72 hours.

The former German sea fortress was blown up and made ineffective last April and is now uninhabited.—Reuter.

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"TREVAYLOR"	U.K. via Straits	28th Feb.
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"CANTON"	U.K. via Straits	23rd Feb.
"DILWARA"	U.K.	27th Feb.
"TREVAYLOR"	Shanghai	2nd Mar.
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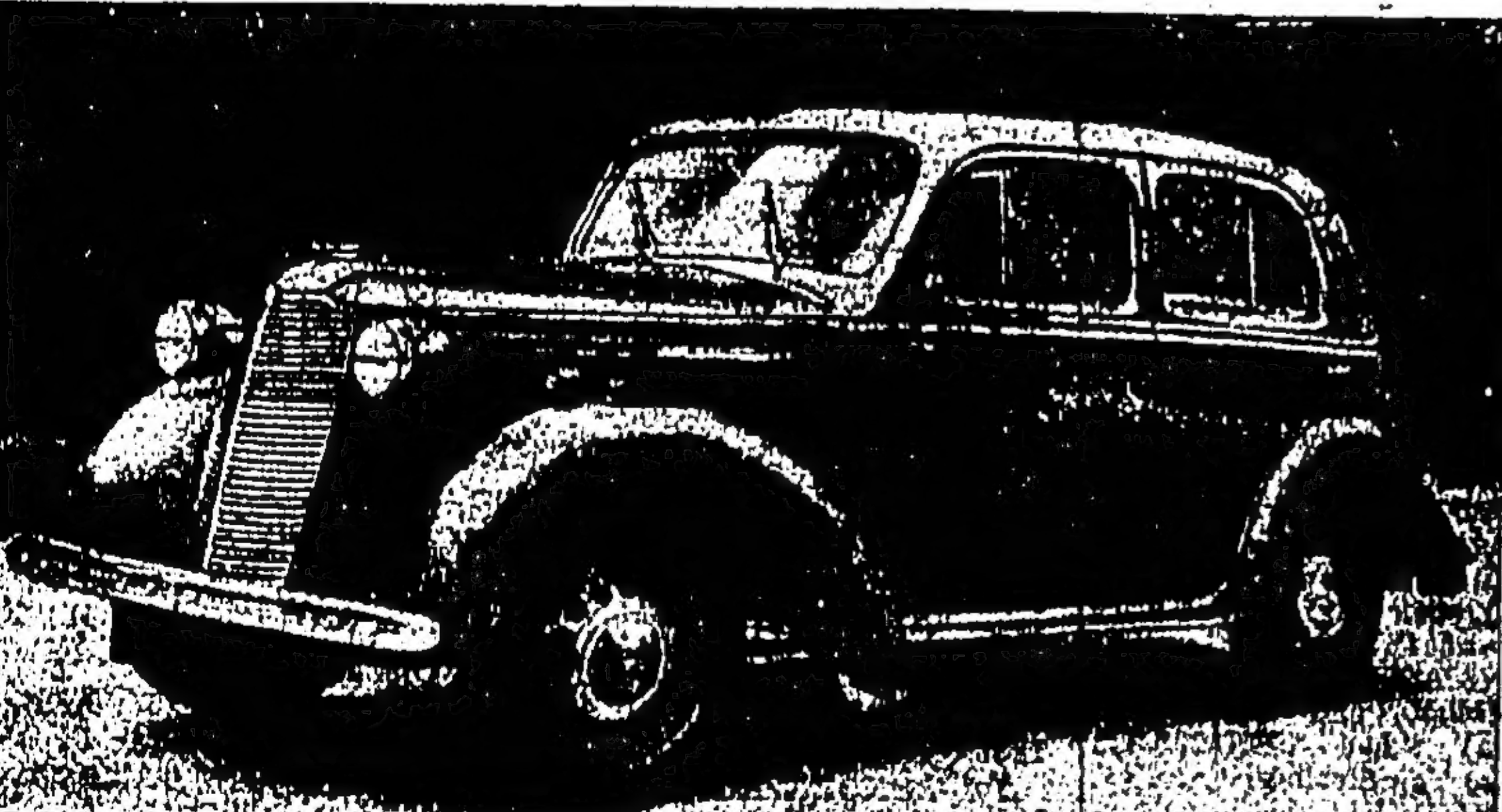
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ORIENT-JAVA-AFRICA LINE		
	Due from	Loading for
TEGELBERG	South America, 22nd Jan.	Manila, Singapore, Mauritius, Lourenco Marques, Beira, Durban, East London, Port Elizabeth, Mosselbay, Capetown, Buenos Aires, Montevideo, Santos, Rio de Janeiro, 6th Feb.

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"STRAAT SOENDA"	South America, 25th Jan.	Shanghai, Yokohama, 27th Jan.
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RUYS	South America, 29th Jan.	South Africa, 10th March
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DELI-STRAITS-CHINA LINE		
	Due from	Sailing for
"HEINRICH JESSEN"	In Port.	Singapore, Penang & Belawan, 10th Jan.

"VAN HEUTSZ"	Belawan, Deli, Penang, Singapore, 16th Jan.	Singapore, Penang & Belawan, 27th Jan.
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Agents HOLLAND-EAST ASIA LINE		
	Due from	Loading for
"LEOPOLDSKERK"	Japan & Shanghai, 10th Feb.	Manila/Singapore/Colombo/Port Said/Alexandria/Haifa/Genoa/Marseilles/Antwerp/Rotterdam/Amsterdam/Hamburg/Copenhagen/Göteborg/Oslo, 11th Feb.

"MOLENKERK"	Due from Europe on or about 16th Jan.	Loading for Manila/Singapore/Colombo/Port Said/Alexandria/Haifa/Genoa/Marseilles/Antwerp/Rotterdam/Amsterdam/Hamburg/Copenhagen/Göteborg/Oslo, 11th Feb.
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	22nd Jan.	m.v. "DONA AURORA"
	Late Feb.	m.v. "DONA NATI"

For	Date	Vessel
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The week opened encouragingly on Monday but as it wore on a spirit of apathy set in. Traders have been disinclined to trade except on their own terms, thus the volume of business has been meagre but quotations closed steadier.

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Greater Reverses If Unaided

New York, Jan. 8.

United States businessmen with interests in China today resolved to press a campaign in Washington for "greater, immediate, adequate aid to China" at a meeting of the Far East American Council of Commerce and Industry.

Shortly afterwards, over 600 members and guests heard the former Vice-Premier, Dr. H. H. Kung, warn: "Our resources are being exhausted and if unaided we may suffer even greater reverses."

Dr. Kung's address keyed the feeling among United States businessmen who are China-minded that "something must be done soon regarding China" as one source put it, "before it is too late to do anything at all."

Dr. Kung charged the Communists with insurrection and said, "If it were that the Communists merely wanted political rights, no one could argue with them. But armed insurrection which aspired to regional political autonomy that impairs the integrity of the state in a military, economic and social sense must be resisted."

Dr. Kung, emphasizing that he was speaking solely as a citizen of China and was not "delegated to discuss policy," noted:

"In the present stage of world affairs, we realize that more emphasis is placed upon Europe than China. I want to state realistically that we too are fighting the same menace which threatens the democracy and peace of the world, but our resources are being exhausted and if unaided, we may suffer even greater reverses."

He then said he advocated "currency reorganization with full convertibility, backed with sufficient reserves to ensure complete confidence... measures to increase national production of all consumer goods, at the same time eliminating waste."

"We must combat the flight of capital and unnecessary use of China's foreign resources," he continued. "The unfavourable trade balance should be countered by energetic, well-balanced measures to encourage exports."

He said he favoured development and modernization of rural economy. He urged also the "balancing of the national budget, which actually had been achieved before our war with Japan."

"Honouring of Government loans, balancing payments, to

gether with reorganization of the tax system to ensure equal distribution of the national burden, should be accomplished."

"Foreign capital should be encouraged, and protected, to participate in the general development of the natural potential resources of China."

Dr. Kung expressed confidence that "there shall never again be permitted by a travesty such as scrap iron shipments to Japan. However, I humbly plead with you to be ever-watchful that shipments to one are not get to other iron curtain spheres of influence, and shot at my loyal fellow countrymen in the Chinese National armies"—United Press.

Flight of Capital

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This caused a sharp setback and gains of the day were comparatively small.

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 4 p.m.
 Manila:
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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

ARRIVALS YESTERDAY

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(Capt. Blair) from Bangkok

Y.M.T. (Moller) from Sandakan (Capt. J.

Malaya) from Sandakan

(Capt. A. J. Christensen) from U.S.

Inland Navigator (Doddwell) from U.S.

and Bhaghat (Capt. Wm. Beale) from

Kin. Dk.

Poyang (B. & S.) from Kobe and S'hai

Heinrich Jensen (J.C.P.L.) from Swatow

Leopold (J.C.P.L.) from Shanghai

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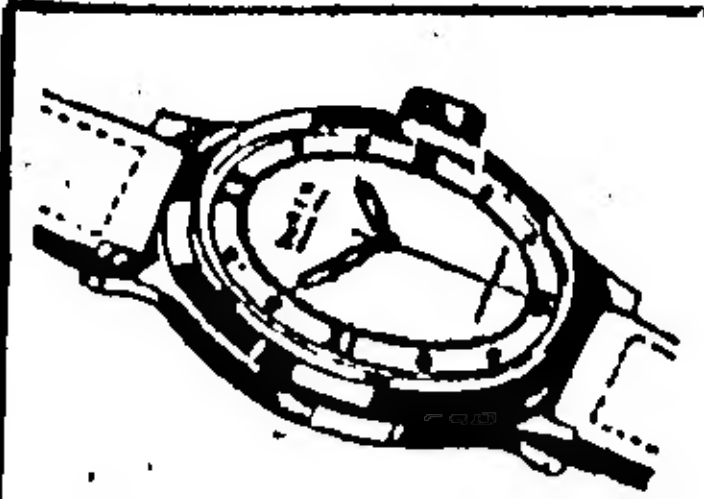
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ARMY SOCCER IS WELL UNDER WAY

Louis Signs Up For Title Bout

New York, Jan. 8. Joe Louis signed today with the 20th Century Boxing Club to defend his heavyweight title against Jersey Joe Walcott or any other opponent mutually agreeable to the champion and promoter "about June 23."

Bing Crosby Golf Tournament

Del Monte, California, Jan. 9. The oldest field in the history of top flight golf tournaments tees off tomorrow in the annual Bing Crosby \$10,000 national professional and amateur meet.

Headlined by such shot-makers as Jimmy Demaret, Ben Hogan, Sam Snead, Lou Worsham and Lloyd Mangrum, the field also includes movie actors, prize fighters, football stars and executives.

All receipts go to charity. The defending champion is Fred Hunter of Los Angeles.

However, the favorites this year are Bobby Locke, of South Africa, teaming with Frank Stranahan, amateur from Toledo, United Press.

Trophy Presented By H.K.V.D.C.

(By Rover)

This last week has seen the commencement of yet another soccer competition in the Colony in the shape of an Army League for which a very handsome trophy has been presented by the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Unfortunately, numbers do not permit of a senior and a junior league being promoted, so one league only is being run containing teams from both major and minor units. The minor units are not put off, however; rather, they are spurred on to greater efforts in the presence of their first division opponents, and although only three games have so far been played there has already been one major upset.

Bufs v R.E.M.E.

The first match in the league was at Stanley Park between the Bufs, who hold quite a good reputation in the First Division of the Football Association League, and R.E.M.E., a lowly team in the Second Division. The result after a rather scrappy game was a win for the Bufs by seven goals to nil. This was a good start for the Bufs, but with the impending departure of several of their team on the "Lancashire," it is quite possible that they will not be able to maintain this form-time will tell.

Signals v Sappers

The Sappers (Royal Engineers) have not so far had a team of their own this season, so that all the more credit is due to them for their 4-3 win over Signals who field a regular

team. The game was played at a fast pace throughout with the Sappers just holding the whip hand. At half-time the Sappers held a three-one lead which was later increased to four, but with only a minute to go Signals had caught up to be only one goal behind and in that last minute Signals were awarded a penalty. The spot kick, however, went straight to the hands of the goalkeepers, and amidst a crescendo of excitement the final whistle blew, leaving Sappers worthy winners by the odd goal in seven.

Innisk v H.Q.L.F.

This match proved to be the biggest rebuff that the forecasters share likely to have for some time. H.Q. Land Forces have not won a match in the Second Division "A" since Sept. 27, but this does not appear to have dampened their spirits and they took the field at Happy Valley on Thursday determined to put up a stiff fight. Even their most ardent supporters, however, must have feared that it would be largely a matter of keeping the deficit as low as possible, and when after about ten minutes play Kiernan scored with a low drive, all their fears appeared justified. H.Q., playing against a strong breeze held out till half-time and the teams crossed over with the score still standing at 1-0 to the Inniskillings.

They increased this lead soon after the restart and H.Q. were hard put to it to keep their goal intact from further onslaughts by the Inniskilling forward line. From a sudden break-away, however, Tollday, the H.Q. centre forward scored with a hard cross-shot and this goal inspired H.Q. to greater efforts; they now began to get on to the ball first and to open the game out and it was not long before they equalised when an Inniskilling defender put through his own goal.

With only eight minutes left for play excitement was running high and when Tollday ran through to score his second goal with a rasping ground shot the H.Q. supporters were on their feet. And so H.Q. ran out winners by three goals to two after a most enjoyable game.

Fixtures

Fixtures for next week:—
Monday: B.M.H. v Buffs
Happy Valley 1600 hrs. S.I.M. Easton.
Tuesday: 25 Fd Regt RA v R.E.M.E. Gun Club Hill 1600 hrs. Q.M.S.I. Tamlyn.
Wednesday: H.Q. L.F. v Signals Happy Valley 1430 hrs. Sub Cdr. Padley.
Thursday: Sappers v Inniskilling Happy Valley 1600 hrs. Lt. Usherwood.

Today's Football

The following are today's football fixtures:—
SATURDAY, JAN. 10
FIRST DIVISION
R.A.F. v. South China, Sookun-poo, 4 p.m.
Ref.: J. F. de Silva; Linesmen:—B. M. Xavier, N. Delgado, St. Joseph's v. K. M. Bus, C. Hill, 4 p.m.
Ref.: J. Day; Linesmen:—A. Ribeiro, J. Crawford.
SECOND DIVISION "A"
H.Q.L.F. v. R.A.O.G. Sookunpoo, 2.30 p.m.
Ref.:—ward.
Kit Choe v. St. Joseph's, Navy, 2.30 p.m.
Ref.: A. Harretto.
South China v. K.M. Bus, C. Hill, 2.30 p.m.
Ref.: A. Guest.
SECOND DIVISION "B"
R.A.M.C. v. Chinese A.A., Police, 2.30 p.m.
Ref.: W. Gelling.
C. Cadre v. King Yee, H. Valley, 2.30 p.m.
Ref.: J. Day.
Electric v. R.A.S.C. H. Valley, 4 p.m.
Ref.: J. Floyd.

CRICKET

The following have been selected to represent the W.O. and S.W. H.Q. Land Forces in a friendly cricket match against the C.R.E. The match will take place to-day on the Sookunpoo Cricket Ground, play commencing at 2 p.m.—Y. K. Merry, K. Smith, H. Dumford, G. W. Moore, V. Funnell, H. Manslow, F. Harlow, E. Bryant, H. Cummins, C. Hurley, F. Lyon. 12th Man: Fitz Avon.

MEETING

A meeting of the League Management Committee will be held in the Hong Kong Football Association's office on Monday, Jan. 12, at 5.15 p.m.
Business:—Draw of 2nd Round International Competition.

They're Seagoing



Britain is organising real efficiency in her Girls' Nautical Training Corps. Great keenness is displayed by the girls who come from all parts of England to take the course at Poole. Here is just a glimpse of part of the course. The Second Officer is demonstrating a few bends and bitches.

QUADRANGULAR RUGGER: Club And RAF Police To Meet

(By "Crums")

The only Quadrangular Tournament match today is between the Club and the R.A.F. Police on the Club Ground at 4.15.

The present position in the Tournament is as follows:

Club	Pt.	W.	L.	F.	A.
Club	4	3	1	36	18
Navy	5	3	2	47	20
Army	5	3	2	28	17
RAF & Police	4	0	4	3	59

It will be seen that if the Club win today they will have a clear lead and the final placings will depend on next week's encounter between the Club and the Army at Sookunpoo. Club for once will be turning out the same team on two successive Saturdays and should not have any difficulty in winning, although the R.A.F. & Police side is improving and for quite a while last Saturday looked as though they were going to give the Army team a shock.

This is the twenty-sixth season in which there has been a Quadrangular or Quadrangular Tournament in Hong Kong and it is interesting to note that since its inception in 1910 the Navy on no less than thirteen occasions. The Club has only won it seven times and the Army four. In fact between 1921 and 1931, when there was a triple tie, the Navy were

OPEN AIR CASINO THRIVES

An open air casino, fenced in with matting and located on a vacant piece of ground off a lane at the Queen's Road East end of Spring Garden Lane, has been the hot spot of gamblers for the past two weeks.

From 10 o'clock in the morning till late at night, endless streams of patrons frequent the place, which caters not only to coolies, but to the wealthy as well.

Fantan and paikau, two of the most popular forms of gambling, are played in many cases, bets running into hundreds of dollars a hand are placed.

To prevent any surprise raid by the Police, look-outs are placed on duty at convenient points along Spring Garden Lane.

Threatened To Kidnap Betty Grable's Baby

Mrs. Jane Bean, 20, today admitted to agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation that she tried to extort \$5,000 from actress Betty Grable on a threat to kidnap the actress's baby because she was tired of being poor and hungry.

"It seems like everyone in Hollywood has lots of money. I need some myself," she said. "The movie star and her husband, the couple's baby, Jessica, James, but said they wouldn't if she received the money."

Mrs. Bean has been arraigned and held on \$1,000 bond pending Grand Jury action. United Press.

SOFTBALL SPOTLIGHT IS ON THE ACES

Wildcats Should Make It Classy

(By "Grandstand")

The spotlight on this week's 11-game card will be the Madcap Aces—Wildcats clash at 2.30 p.m. to-morrow afternoon, as these two classy outfits cross bats in a return encounter in their chase after the "China Mail" Shield.

The Untamed Felines have over-night become the "peep's choice" as a result of their spectacular win over the penultimate contenders Wahoons, and while still basking in the afterglow of their recent success are out after Madcap scalps to avenge a previous humiliation at the hands of the Aces in that unforgettable Opening Day defeat.

Wildcat mentor 'Doc' Molten is wise to that old adage of 'never change a winning combination' and will start his mound ace Lefty Doff Brown with stone-wall Effie Bubida at the receiving end. Cavorting around the sacks will be that starchy combination which hardly needs introduction—Peggy Barros at first base, Terry Silva and snappy Helen Ribeiro around the key-stone and Cynthia (field captain) at the hot-corner. Ball-hawks assigned for pasture duties will be hard-hitting Thelma Watson, Mario 'Figgy' Figueiredo and Rosie Oliveira.

"A-rarin" In the other corner, Eddie Marques' Aces are a-rarin' to go into action again after a long lay-off. The Aces have been keeping themselves in trim for this tussle, and have the addition of Sheila Silva and Bernie Remedios from their farm team the Bees. The Aces downed the powerful Wildcats once with Margie Xavier on the mound and Teresa Baptista catching, but ever since an eye injury to Teresa she has taken over hurling duties. Base guardians for the Madcap clan will be Inez Soares, while Alec Mendonza will either take second or third base. Theresa Remedios, regular windy-alley guardian, is rumoured to be side-lined owing to a knee injury and sister Bernie of the Bees will probably take over that assignment. The other infield position is somewhat of a question mark, as a substitute for Girle Gaan who has recently been switched to the outfield, has not yet been found. Keeping Girle company out in the pastures will be popular Sheila Silva and Celly Gutierrez, the latter leading the batting race at the moment with a merry 533.

At 11.15 a.m. the dethroned Wahoons take on the Canadians, and although the latter are not expected to run away with the pennant this year they have improved tremendously since their first outing, and with their big guns returning to batting form, can prove to be a threat. The Maple Leafers were unfortunate in losing their catcher who was put out of action recently with a sprained finger; and although Uile Khoo is at present doing a grand job behind the plate, strength at the mid-way station has been sacrificed. Skipper Alice Mar has come up with a discovery who will be seen in action this week. The Wahoons, with the exception of Hilda Soares presently enjoying a batting streak, seem to have gone into a slump as far as plate power is concerned, but backed by tight fielding should be able to take this tilt.

Men's "A" In the Men's "A" Division, the V.R.C. outfit confidently take on Recrios to prove that last week's brilliant triumph over the Madcaps was no flash in the pan. Recrio mentor Tony Goncalves is bound to start ace finger Leo Tavares whose upshots will fool the Lopesmen—they had better or else gardeners. Charlie Quinn, Gerry Gosano, Gus Pereira will have a busy morning. On the other hand master-mind Tony Lopes on the slab for the aqueducters will have to watch out for those bunts, typical of Goncalves strategy.

Jeff Dempsey's Coppers take on Eddie Marques' Merry Madcaps in the opener at the Recrio Football Ground, while, simultaneously Bill Woo's Canadians tangle with Doc Molten's Baseballers at the C.B.A. lot. Both the Madcaps and the Canucks cannot afford to lose another game if they are to stay in the flag race, the Maple Leafers trailing behind the league leading Rees by as much as 2½ games. In the other men's tilt to-morrow, South China cross the Pond again to take on the Philippines. Moundsman Tsang of the Caroline outfit has acquired a smooth pitching motion and with his ball savvy should improve to be a top-line pitcher, perhaps not this season but in the years to come. C.B. Wong's slickers, however, could do with a bit more beef in their swings if they are to win ball games.

Calling all Junior Leaguers. Following the announcement of the presentation of the "China Mail" Shield for the ladies loop, the Association has accepted a trophy from Mr. E. Hearther for the "B" Division.

Australian Butter For Britain Drive

Sydney, Jan. 8. To double the Australians' annual export of butter to Britain, the Commonwealth Government was prepared to advance dairy farmers £1,250,000, spread over five years, Mr. Reginald Follard, Minister of Commerce and Agriculture, announced today.

"This was only one way in which it was hoped to provide additional food products for Britain. When the rest of the British Food Ministry representatives arrive, the position would be examined, commodity by commodity, Mr. Follard said.—Reuter.

Volunteer Force As World Army?

Ottawa, Jan. 8. Canada will propose to the United Nations Security Council the immediate establishment of a small United Nations Security force, made up of volunteers from all parts of the globe on the pattern of the French Foreign Legion.

Canada is due to preside in the Security Council during February and it was believed that one of her first actions will be to call for the establishment of such a force.

A spokesman of the Canadian External Affairs Department said tonight that the first task of such a force would be to ensure the personal safety of members of the United Nations Palestine Commission, which will work out the details of partition.

He said that a force might be able to fulfil that purpose even if it consisted of a single brigade, although something nearer a division would probably be more satisfactory.

Asked what, for example, would happen if a brigade of the Russian Army or a brigade of Arabs or Jews volunteered en bloc, the spokesman said recruitment would be on the basis of most of the United Nations staff appointments—"having regard to geographical distribution."

It was feared here that unless some such force was set up, the Palestine Commission might be delayed in visiting the Holy Land, because of the lack of any guarantee of personal safety of its members.—Reuter.

Broken Back Couldn't Stop Jockey

Haydock, Jan. 8. Three years ago Eric Foley, 43-year-old Cheltenham trainer-jockey, broke his back in four places at Haydock Park yesterday he rode to victory in the hurdle race.

No man in racing has shattered his back so completely and lived to ride again—let alone ride winners.

Most etecple-chasing jockeys break a bone or two but Foley, who has been riding for 24 years, has been injured a dozen times.

Foley was serving with the R.A.F. in 1945 when, riding "Not Guilty" at Windsor, his horse fell and broke his neck and broke Foley's back. At an R.A.F. hospital later, surgeons took pieces of Foley's hip bone and plugged them into the four broken vertebrae.

He made his comeback on "Alongside" at Wolverhampton on Dec. 27. Yesterday was his second ride since his accident.—Reuter.

AMBULANCE BALL

The annual ball of St. John's Ambulance Brigade will be held on Jan. 28 at the Hong Kong Hotel. The Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham (President of the Brigade), and Lady Grantham will be present.

The ball will commence at 8 p.m. with a floor show between 10.30 p.m. and 11.30 p.m. Dancing will end at 2 a.m. Tickets, \$20 each, are available at the Hong Kong Hotel reception office, the Peninsula Hotel, and at Brigade Headquarters at Causeway Bay. Table reservations can be made on presentation of tickets.

B.M.A. PROTESTS OVER NATIONALISED MEDICINE

London, Jan. 9. The Labour Government will nationalise Medicine on schedule next July 5 despite the unanimous demand by the delegate conference of the British Medical Association for disapproval of the scheme, sources close to the Health Ministry said today.

The all-day conference, attended by 370 delegates from branches throughout the country, decided to send copies of its resolution recommending rejection to all 72,000 British doctors whom the B.M.A. will poll in a plebiscite on January 31.

The resolution said bluntly: "The Act provides for free hospital, medical, specialist and dental service; child, welfare, domestic help, if needed for health reasons; and provision of spectacles, false teeth, medicines and appliances."

Government will take over ownership and operation of all hospitals and clinics and put doctors, dentists and nurses on state payroll.

The scheme will be financed partly by the Treasury, partly by local taxes and partly by state insurance funds. The B.M.A. opposed the Act on grounds that it concentrated too much power in Health Minister Aneurin Bevan and gave the state a monopoly in hospitals and otherwise restricted the freedom of medical progression.—United Press.

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